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ROOSEVELT CANCELS ALL AMERICAN AIR MAIL CONTRACTS



Senor de la Cerva, who has recently invented a new type of Autogiro without wings or rudder.—(S. & G.)

RECORD COLD AT 14.5° BELOW IN NEW YORK

EASTERN STATES FREEZE.

THOUSANDS OF DESTITUTE SUFFER INTENSELY

New York, To-day.
The 64-years cold record for New York was eclipsed yesterday, when the thermometer dropped to 14.5 degrees below zero.

The intense cold has caused terrible suffering among the thousands of destitute who were, last night, huddled in shelters.

Long-distance trains arrived greatly behind schedule, and on the Underground the mechanism was frozen up, dislocating the service.

The Hudson River is frozen solid from shore to shore.

Still worse conditions prevail in the Eastern States and on the Northern seaboard. Even Virginia is suffering severely, with the temperature nine degrees below zero.

Trans-Atlantic shipping is impeded, the s.s. Mauretania being several hours late owing to a blinding snowstorm.—Reuter.

SUPREME COURT OFFICES

Opening Hours During Chinese New Year

The offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Chinese New Year vacation except on general and public holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed, and on Saturday, when they will be open from 10 a.m. to noon, subject however, to the provisions of the Supreme Court (Vacations) Ordinance, 1898, so far as it relates to the criminal sessions. The Chinese New Year vacation will commence on February 14, and terminate on February 18, both days inclusive.

CHIANG KAISHEK AT NANKING

Nanchang, To-day.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek arrived here by air from Hangchow yesterday afternoon.—Reuter

BRITAIN COMMENCES TRADE WAR

Retaliation Against French Quotas.

ADDITIONAL TAR'FFS FROM TUESDAY

London, To-day.
As was announced by the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, in the House of Commons, on January 29, His Majesty's Government has informed the French Government that unless the quotas for United Kingdom goods were fully restored they would be compelled to take retaliatory action by imposing additional duties on a range of French products.

As the quotas have not been fully restored, an Order has now been made, under Section 12 of the Import Duties Act, imposing a duty of 20 per cent. "ad valorem" over and above the existing Customs duties upon certain classes of goods produced or manufactured in France, with effect from next Tuesday.

The Order has been framed with a view to effecting a reduction in imports into the United Kingdom, from France, as near as may be, equivalent to the reduction in the United Kingdom exports to France resulting from the differential quota restrictions which are still maintained.

Classes of goods covered by the Order are set out, and include articles of apparel of all kinds, complete or incomplete, and shaped material for making into apparel; boots and shoes etcetra; feathers; artificial flowers, foliage and fruit and articles incorporating them; fur, skins and goods manufactured wholly or partly of fur and skin; and goods made wholly or partly of silk.—British Wireless Service.

SMALL HARBOUR TRAFFIC.

Regulations For Ferries And Launches.

A new table of regulations for launches, ferry vessels and motor-boats, to replace Table E of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance which has been rescinded by His Excellency the Governor in Council, is published in the Government Gazette, to-day.

The table outlines the particulars in the certificate of survey, and contains a scale of fees for licences and a maximum scale of hire for launches within local trade limits. It also deals with duties of the master and the control of motor-boats.

LOCAL DOLLAR UNCHANGED.

Silver Still Rising.

The dollar was unchanged yesterday, opening at 1/6%.
Silver prices rose a further 1/16 on Friday, spot closing at 19 13/16 and forward at 19%.

The cross rate for both London on New York and New York on London was £-G\$5.01%.

STRICT FEDERAL CONTROL OF U.S. COMMUNICATIONS

Establishment Of Commission By Congress Act Decided

Washington, To-day.
The early enactment of a law providing for the creation of a Federal Communications Commission, with strict control of telephone communication, telegraphs, wireless and cables, has been decided by White House conference.—Reuter.

"JAPAN'S DESIRE FOR PEACE"

"We Don't Want To Commit Suicide."

NEW AMBASSADOR TO U.S. INTERVIEWED

New York, To-day.

The Japanese Government's pacific policy was stressed by Mr. Viscount Saito, the new Japanese Ambassador to Washington, on his arrival here, yesterday, on the s.s. Berengaria.

"We are not going to fight Russia. Russia does not want to fight us. We do not want to fight them."

War with Russia would mean war with all the other nations, including the United States, and we do not want to commit suicide," he declared.—Reuter.

APPOINTMENTS AND NOTIFICATIONS.

Sir W. Shenton's Second Term On Council.

MERCANTILE MARINE FUND COMMITTEE APPOINTED

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by Lt. John Norris-Owen of his Commission in the Army Service Corps Cadre of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 31, 1934.

The appointment of the Hon. Sir William Edward Leonard Shenton, Kt., to be an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council for a further period of five years, with effect from April 3, 1933, is gazetted.

Mr. Li Tsz-fong, J.P., has been appointed a Member of the Board of Education for a period of two years, with effect from February 3, 1934.

Professor George Thomas Byrne, M.Sc., F.I.C., has been appointed an additional member of the Council of the University of Hong Kong for a period of one year from February 1, 1934.

The following have been appointed by His Excellency the Governor as the other members of the Committee, the Chairman of which is the Harbour Master, to administer the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund of Hong Kong: The Hon. Mr. John Johnston Paterson, Mr. Leonard Horace Vertue North, the Rev. George Turner Walgrave, M.A., and Mr. William Edward Kirby.

CONTRACTS SCANDAL

A VIRTUAL PARALYSIS OF AIR TRAFFIC?

ARMY ORDERED TO FLY THE MAIL

MR. ROOSEVELT ACTS AFTER FRAUD DISCLOSURES

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Message Ordinance, 1898. Received February 10, 8.38 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.

The United States Administration has cancelled all air mail contracts as a result of the Senate Departmental Investigation Committee's disclosures of evidences of fraud in connection with the awarding of contracts. President Roosevelt has ordered the Army to fly the mail wherever necessary.

He has revoked the companies' contracts and forbidden them to bid again for five years. All domestic air mail contracts are to be cancelled.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

WARRANT FOR OLD OFFICIAL.

Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate has ordered the arrest of Mr. MacCracken, who was Assistant Secretary of Commerce in ex-President Hoover's Administration, and who should have appeared to answer a charge of contempt yesterday. He has disappeared.

The action is connected with air mail contracts scandal. It is alleged that important papers were removed from Mr. MacCracken's file when the Senate Investigation Committee wanted to see them.

President Roosevelt yesterday cancelled all domestic air mail contracts.

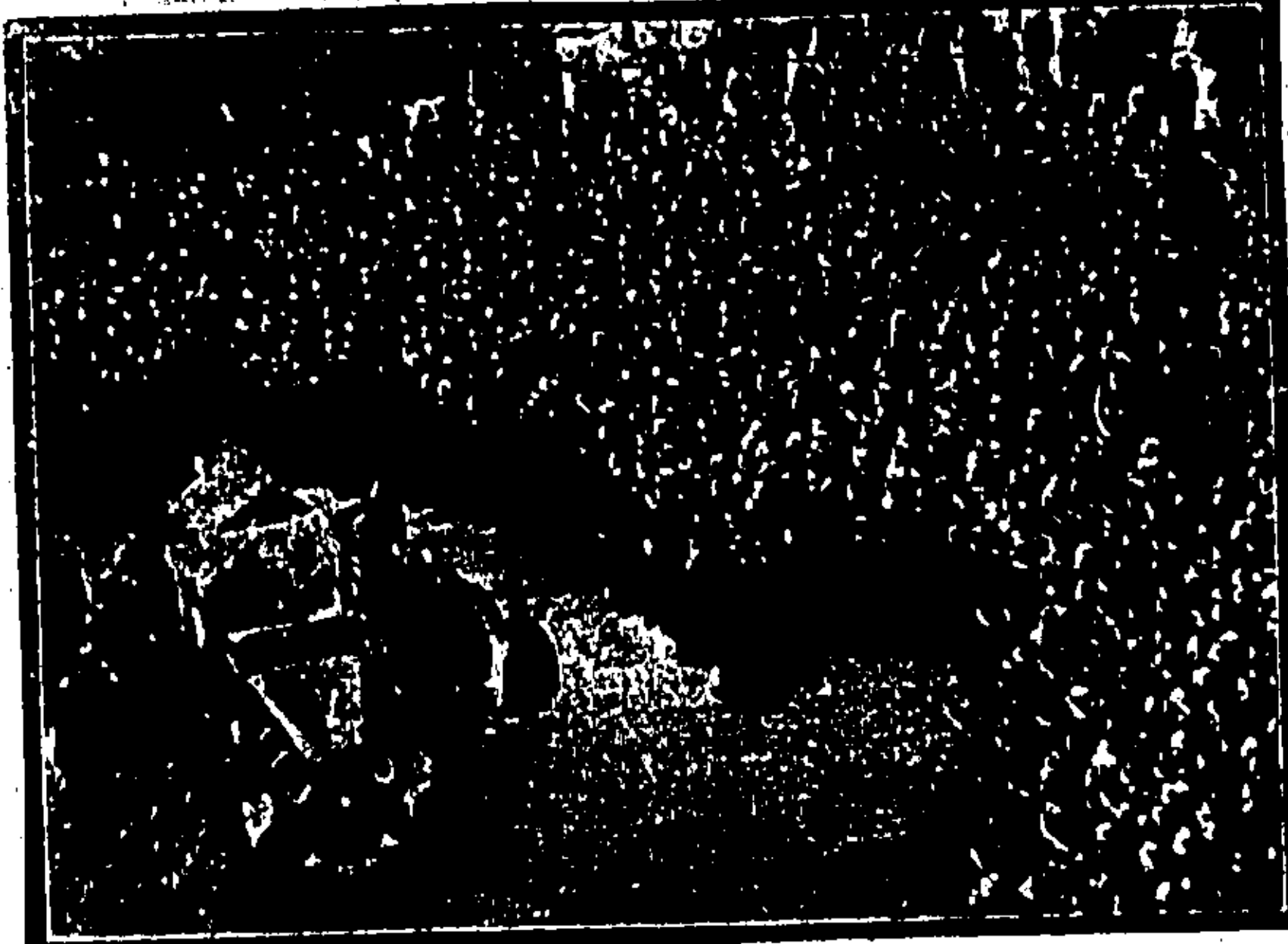
President Roosevelt's order applies to all domestic air mail services but does not include the Pan-American Airways.

It becomes effective on February 19, after which the Army air service will carry the mail.

The Army has promised to engage any air mail pilots who are dropped by private companies.

The aviation companies' officials are stunned by the drastic nature of the order and declare that they are unable to operate solely on the revenue derived from passenger services. They have predicted a virtual paralysis of air passenger traffic pending the resumption of private air mail services.—Reuter.

Owing to the epidemic of smallpox at Shanghai, His Excellency the Governor in Council has declared it to be an infected port.



General Goering, the Prussian Premier, leaving President von Hindenburg's Palace in Berlin midst the enthusiastic cheers of the crowd. (S. & G.)

HEAVY SLUMP ON WALL STREET

Industrial Stocks Down 2 to 3 Points

SILVER MARKET STEADY

New York, To-day.

A sharp slump in industrials featured the New York stock market yesterday, the average dropping 2.36 to 106.09. Rails and utilities were down .90 and .71 to 50.30 and 28.90, while the commodity index weakened .28 to 54.58. Bonds rose .18 to 90.88.

Trading reached a high figure, 3,340,000 shares changing hands. Silver offerings were more or less limited, values responding to moderate commission-house buying, encouraged by the steadiness of London and Shanghai. Later, the market eased in sympathy with securities.

In their market report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, through their local correspondents, Messrs. Asia Lands, Ltd., state:—

"The rally in the last hour, while showing that there was support, was still not altogether conclusive. The main interest is centred in the forthcoming Bill to regulate exchanges. The President's message on the subject is now being delivered."

"Wheat: The forecast of probable rains in Kansas, together with the easiness of securities, induced further liquidation."

"Cotton: Southern selling was more active, as was constant realising, but demand proved ample. Easier securities caused some selling later, but the cotton market showed its independent strength."—Reuter.

EXCITEMENT OVER NEW BILL.

Measure Regarded As Constructive.

New York, To-day.

Wall Street has been thrown into a flurry of excitement over the Bill for Governmental control of speculation.

Reaction to the Bill is widely divergent, but it is hailed by many bankers and brokers as a constructive measure.

The Bill's limitation of margin on transactions by requiring at least 60 per cent cash to be deposited against dealings has created the most excitement.—Reuter.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

MORE RIOTS IN PARIS

POLICEMAN SHOT DEAD BY COMMUNISTS

CHURCH SACKED BY "RED" RIOTERS.

300 ARRESTS AFTER POLICE CHARGE MOBS

Paris, To-day.

Rioting was renewed in Paris, yesterday evening when Communist and anti-Fascist demonstrators who massed in the working class centres, converged on the Place de la Republique which was occupied by 1,500 troops and police.

The Police and mobile guards stationed there repeatedly charged the Communists who showered the Police with missiles.

Shots were fired and one policeman was killed and a few wounded. The latter were removed in military ambulances but apparently they are seriously hurt.

So far, 300 arrests have been made.

Communists were later reported to be sacking the Church of St. Ambroise. Barricades held up the Police lorries. Communists also sacked the Great Hall of the gare de l'Est.—Reuter.

DOUMERGUE ISSUES PROCLAMATION.

Paris, To-day.

The Premier, M. Gaston Doumergue, last night issued a proclamation which reads as follows:—

"Citizens. I have been called to form a Government of trust, appeasement and justice. That Government has been formed. In its name I invite you to accomplish, in turn, your duty by renouncing all agitation and by placing the interest of France and the Republic above everything."

The proclamation has been posted on the walls in Paris.—Reuter.

WEEKLY TREASURY ISSUE

Lower Interest Rate.

London, To-day.

A total of £33,525,000 was applied for yesterday in tenders for £35,000,000 Treasury bills.

The amount allotted in bills at three months was £35,000,000.

The average rate per cent was 17/5.81d. as compared with 17/11.74d. last week.—British Wireless Service.



The WOMAN'S Page



LOW DECOLLETAGE RETURNING

Ultra-Low Back Suits Few Women.

DECOLLETAGE INFLUENCED BY SLEEVES

The lower décolletage is one of the best movements. The lengthened front line is a great improvement on the very low back. The much-exposed back mode was seized upon by women it could never suit! It is a somewhat difficult cut for anyone but an expert designer to attempt, and not a style becoming to any but the young woman possessed of a beautiful back. Even then the ultra low back did not always harmonise with the general environment. Oddly enough, the corsage cut down to nearly the waistline looked well only when joined to the trained back of the austere skirt of the "sixties," where the draperies are dragged from the sides to meet in the centre. It is curious, this meeting of modern audaciousness with the primness of the styles of the Victorian era!

All décolletages for their success must be influenced largely by the sleeves that are chosen. The long ones of fashion are best of all to give the note of elegance, yet with the square low décolletage the elbow-length is delightful, as it can also be with the fichu-like finish. Both recall the dainty styles of Marie Antoinette's day. They fit in with the modern scheme of things.

MASSAGE FOR THE THROAT

Made Necessary By No-Collar Whim.

SOME SIMPLE AND EASY EXERCISES

Fashion has introduced the no-collar whim and the high neckline, drawing attention to the throat, and with that attention have come a number of "tricks" to beautify it.

Before your mirror throw your head back so that your throatline is fully exposed.

Is it merely lined in two or three places? Then you have the remedy which lies in the brisk astrigent-and-patter treatment.

Is it thin—too thin for the head it is holding and balancing oddly with the shoulders from which it rises? Then massage it to a new beauty with all four fingers of each hand, and the aid of a nourishing skin food or lotion or oil on your finger-tips.

Massage both sides of the throat in a light, kneading fashion, with the fingers bent, for it is at the sides that the thinness makes itself most apparent.

And practise this little movement whenever you can spare a few moments:

Sitting before your mirror, throw the head back as far as it will go, and then circle with it, round over one shoulder, dropping completely forward in front, over the other shoulder, and back to your original position, using your throatline as a pivot.

This makes for suppleness, and lends an unconscious grace to your head movements thereafter. Try to keep the shoulders rigid and down while you exercise.

Accessories For Dancing

Corsets And Belts.

NECESSITY OF FITTING UNDERGARMENTS

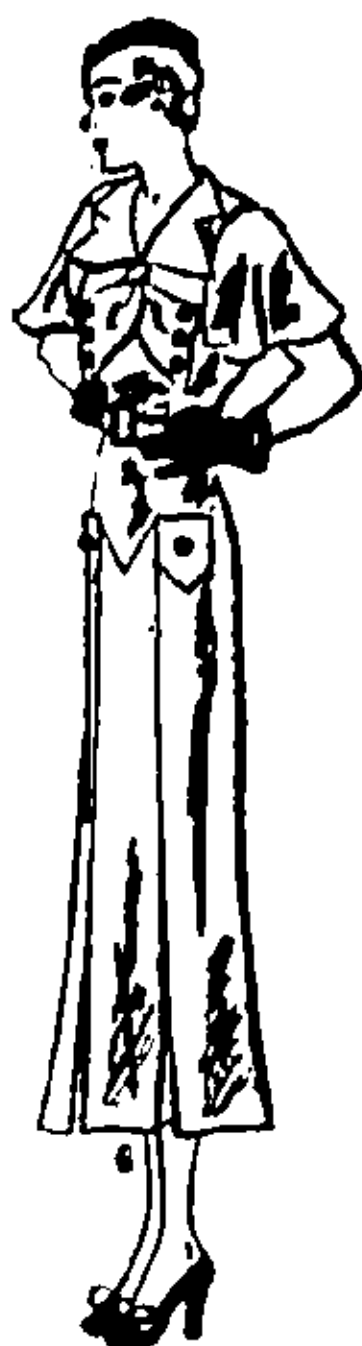
Among the other accessories which make the difference between a happy and an uncomfortable dancer, the garments she wears beneath her dress matter considerably.

All evening dresses, indeed all dresses for every hour of the day at the moment, do undoubtedly demand a natural looking but trim figure. The dancer, of course needs to feel quite as free as she looks. Modern corsetry has simplified this problem enormously, even for ladies who are larger than they would wish.

There is a wide choice—models which stretch all ways; models which stretch in one way, but not another; foundation garments which, all by themselves, do the duty of two or three separate pieces; belts which vary from those almost imperceptible affairs that do not pretend to do anything beyond holding up the stockings, to far more self-assertive affairs which work wonders at figure moulding.

The great secret with any one of them is to see that it really does fit the person who is to wear it. For some people it is always best to have them built to measure.

With many, a little minor alteration will produce the desired effect. Often this is merely a matter of lengthening or shortening the shoulder straps or the suspender elastic. There is one admirable kind in which the suspenders are practically invisible; and this, with a frock which looks as if you were poured into it, at least down to your knees, is an important detail.



CLEANSING THE PORES.

First Requisite For Good Complexion.

Absolute cleanliness is the first requisite of a smooth, beautiful complexion.

Whether you use a cleansing cream in conjunction with a tonic, or prefer plain soap and water followed by a nourishing cream or a lotion, depends on your own individual taste. The important thing is that you do use some method of cleansing which actually purges the pores of all impurities.



SIMPLICITY WEDDED TO ELEGANCE

Creeping Back Into The Mode.

LONG SLEEVES

Simplicity is combined with the newer note of elegance that has been creeping into the mode for some little time.

The décolletage is inclined to go a little lower in the front once more. The muffled-up look round the neck in dinner dresses was not a very happy vogue; once it had lost the charm of novelty it was recognized as frankly unbecoming.

The long-sleeved fashion is another matter. This is flattering and slimming to the figure, and, of course, is comfortable for winter nights. Being a revival of Edwardian fashion it gains importance at the moment.

SLIM MODERN GIRL UNRIVALLED

Poise And Dignity Needed.

OUTMATCHING BEAUTIES OF THE PAST

One is apt to associate "elegance" with a very feminine phase of fashion, but the newer interpretation goes much farther. When the modern English girl, tall and slim, really does attain poise and dignity she holds her own without a rival.

It is not only the dress that has to proclaim its style, but the coiffure, shoes, hosiery, dress-jewelry, or special gems of value; in fact, all the new details that go to complete the idea of elegance.

The result is a pleasing and finished production, never attained so entirely by even the beauties of the past.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

TIFFIN
Peasant Rissoles
Tomato Sauce
Boiled Corned Beef and Cabbage
Ring Pudding
Yeast Dumplings
DINNER
Clear Vegetable Soup
Chicken Fricassee
Snow Potatoes
Stewed Parsnips
Roast Crown of Lamb-Chops with Puree of Chestnuts
Fruit Pudding
Cauliflower Fritters
Ring Pudding

6 oz. bread, 3 tablespoons sugar, 1 pint milk, 4 eggs. Soak the bread in the hot milk and rub through a sieve. Cool and add the beaten eggs the sugar the grated rind of a lemon, and a pinch of salt. Turn the mixture into a ring mould and steam for 30 to 40 minutes. Turn out when set and fill the centre with sliced pineapple.

Clear Vegetable Soup
4 cups brown stock, 2 cups water, 1/2 cup diced carrot, 1/2 cup diced onion, 1/3 cup diced turnip, 1/2 cup diced celery, 1/2 cup diced potato. Mix stock and water and bring to boiling point. Add vegetables and simmer until very tender. Season with salt and pepper if needed. Peas, tomatoes, parsnips and cabbage may be used in place of some of the other vegetables. The vegetables may be cut in shreds instead of diced. Time in cooking 1 hour.

Chicken Fricassee
Choose a good sized chicken and disjoint (which should give you 8 good pieces) roll in flour and saute in a little butter until well browned. Cover with boiling stock or water and simmer until tender, adding salt, pepper and a little nutmeg when party cooked. The time required will be from 2 to 2 1/2 hours, depending on the quality and age of the chicken. Thicken gravy. Serve with dumplings.

Puree of Chestnuts
2 lb. of chestnuts, pepper, salt, 2 oz. of butter, 1/2 pint of milk, 1 gill of cream. Prepare the chestnuts by removing husks and brown skins. Put them into a pan, pour the milk over and simmer them gently until they are soft enough to rub through a sieve. Drain the milk from them if any remains and press the nuts through a sieve. Stir in the butter, cream, pepper and salt, make this hot, stirring all

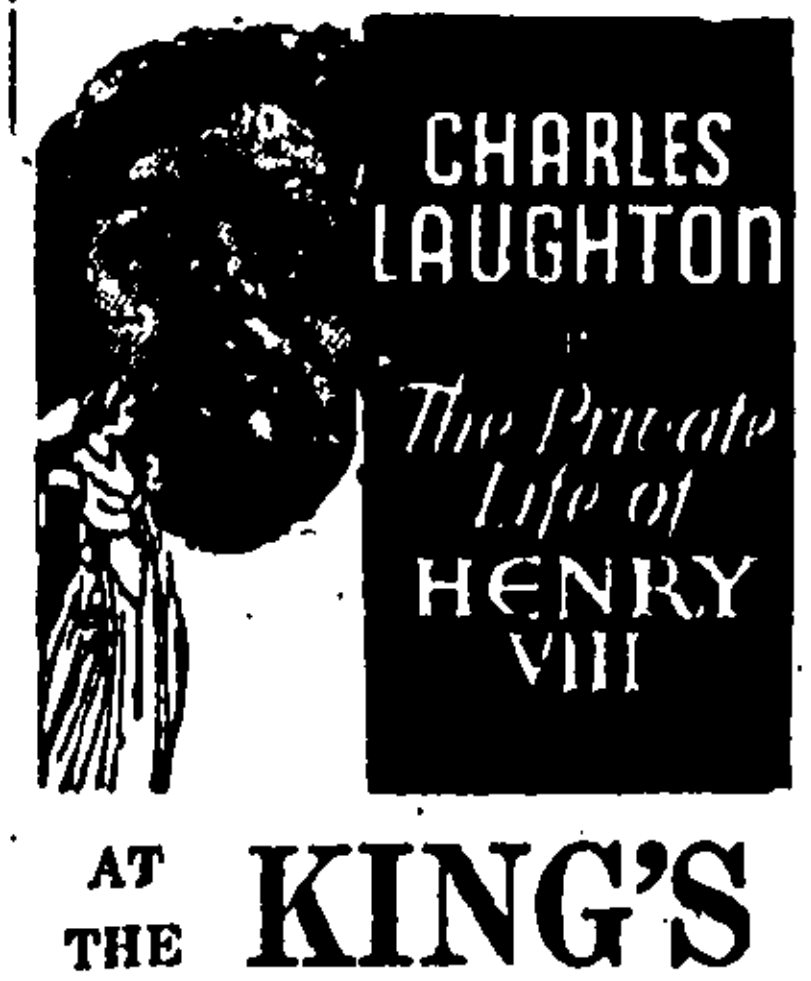
the time. Serve them in the centre of cutlets.

Fruit Pudding
6 oz. flour, pinch of salt, 3 oz. suet or margarine. Water or milk to mix, dried fruit, apples, apricots, pears, peaches, etc., 4 oz. brown sugar. Chop the suet and mix with the flour, add the pinch of salt and enough water or milk to mix to a stiff paste. Roll out, line a greased basin and fill with the (previously soaked) dried fruit. Add the sugar, cover the lid of the paste, press the edges together, cover with a buttered paper and tie loosely with a scaled and floured cloth. Put in boiling water or in a steamer and cook about 2 to 2 1/2 hours. Turn out on a hot dish, sprinkle with sugar and serve with custard sauce.



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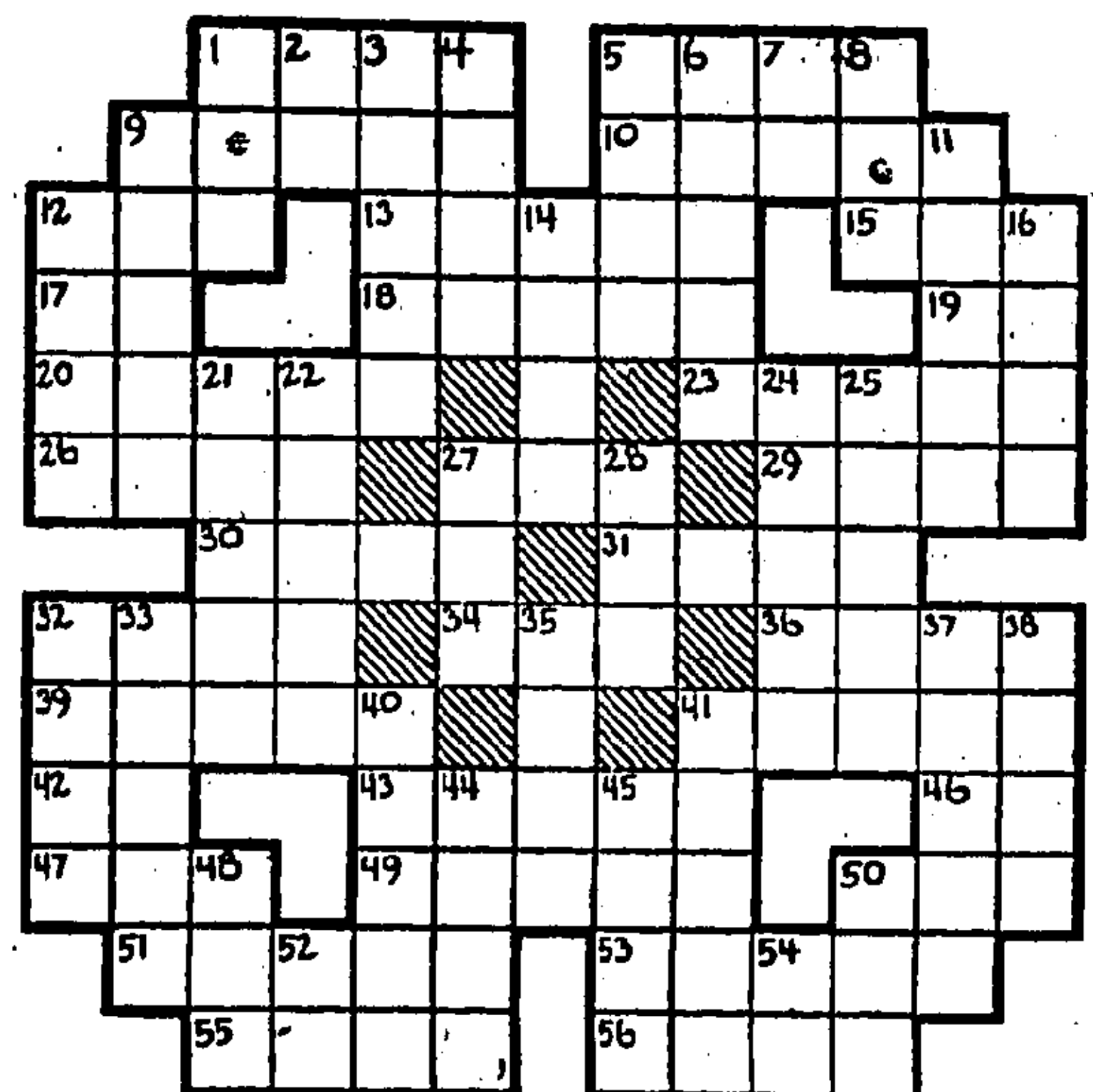
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

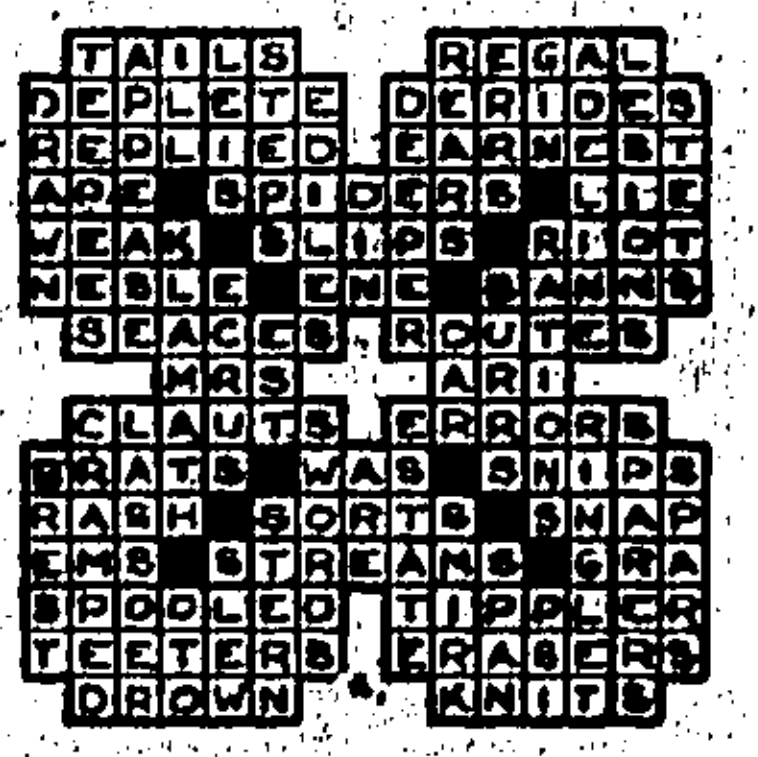
This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Fearless	42-Intro	11-Omnino
5-Land measure	43-Wente	12-The frog (Lat.)
9-Receiver of a gift	46-Same as Gaea	14-A metal
10-Wanders	(Gr. Myth.)	15-Carry (Colloq.)
12-Fragment of cloth	47-Uncooked	21-Mature
13-Foreign	48-The darning (pl.)	22-Valleys
16-A foreigner	50-A fowl	24-Danger
(S. Afr. D.)	51-Tardier	25-Gains
17-Indefinite article	53-River in N. W. Germany	27-Uneven
18-Poetry	55-June-bugs	28-Records, as the tide
19-Depart	56-Frozen precipitation	32-Agitate
20-To imbue with vigor		33-Pertaining to punishment
21-Wanted		35-Employer
24-A continent		37-A river in W. Africa
27-Unit		38-Observed
28-Comfort		39-Penetrates
30-Trudge		41-Prussian city
31-A buzz		44-Organ of hearing
32-German rear		45-Refreshes
33-Admiral in World War		48-A soft compact case
34-To entitle		50-Cut
36-Taverns		52-Proposition
38-Taut		53-Natives of Denmark
41-Girl's name		54-Very

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

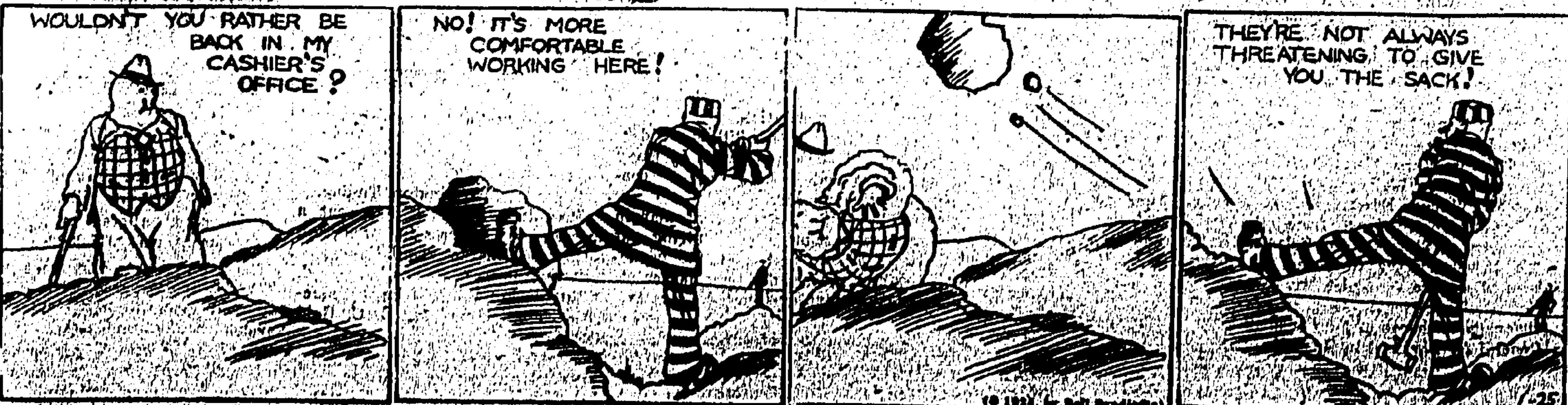
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Sporting Page

ARMY XI BEAT H.K.S.R.A. BY ODD GOAL

Three Changes In
Selected Team

SPECTACULAR HOCKEY

In a spectacular hockey match of fast exchange the Army defeated the H. K. and Singapore Brigade R. A. by 3 goals to 2 after leading by the odd goal in three in the first half.

Lt. Garthwaite, R. A., was the most notable absentee from the Army team, his place being taken by Sepoy Kirtar Singh (Punjab). Lal Singh (Punjab), the Colony's left wing, was also unable to play, following his injury last week, and his place was taken by Lt. de Winton (S. W. B.). Lance Cpl. Yocmans (Lincoln) substituted for Lt. Ravenhill (R. A.), who is on the sick list. Lt. Heber and Lt. Rams were absentees from the Brigade team.

W. O. Senior opened the scoring for the Army and Kirtar Singh placed the Army further ahead. Tara Singh netted for the Brigade just before half time.

Kudar Singh equalised for the Brigade in the second half, but Kirtar Singh netted the deciding goal for the Army with a brilliant effort within the last few minutes of the game.

The following represented the Army:

Mr. Hollingsworth (Lincoln); Lt. Metcalfe (R. A.); Lt. Roissier (Lincoln); Lt. Cpl. Yocmans (Lincoln); Cpl. Halford (S.W.B.); Lt. Cpl. Knight (Lincoln); Cpl. Barlow (R.A.S.C.); Sgt. Reeks (Lincoln); W. O. Senior (A.R.C.); Sepoy Kirtar Singh (Punjab); and Lt. de Winton (S.W.B.).

TWO ARMY PLAYERS INJURED

Garthwaite & Lal Singh
May Not Play For
Colony XI.

(BY STICKS)

TWO of the Army's most prominent players in the Colony's Hockey eleven, Lt. C. C. Garthwaite (R.A.), inside-left, and Lal Singh (Punjab), left-wing, will not be able to play for the Colony in the match against the Rest on Sunday morning at King's Park, owing to injuries.

It is also highly probable that both players will have to stand down in the forthcoming Inter-port match against Macao on February 14, as it is not expected that they will have recovered from their injuries by that time.

Lt. C. C. Garthwaite, who was unable to turn out for the Army against the H.K. and S. Brigade R.A., yesterday, is troubled with an injury to his left ankle which he received some weeks ago in a Rugby game. He suspects that there are several small bones broken and will undergo an X-ray examination to-day.

Lal Singh received a nasty strike on the nose in a regimental game last week, and is at present in hospital and will not be in a fit condition to play for sometime. Captain Bates, his Commanding Officer, has officially informed the Selection Committee, but a substitute has not yet been selected.

Radio Beat Medway Officers

BOTH SIDES DEPLETED.

On the Naval ground, Kowloon, yesterday the Radio Sports Club, Mamak champions, defeated the Medway Officers by 2 goals to 1 in a friendly hockey encounter. Both sides fielded depleted teams.

Gurbachan Singh scored twice for the Radio, and Lt. Comdr. Browning, at centre-forward, netted the only goal for the Officers. Lt. Eaden was a notable absentee from the Officers' side, while Lt. Comdr. Bush partnered P. Singh in the Radio defence line.

KOWLOON SHOULD BEAT E. LANCS

RECREIO MAY SURPRISE THE ARTILLERY

NAVY EXPECTED TO BEAT LINCOLNS

(BY OUTSIDE LEFT).

Kowloon have been strengthened by the inclusion of several of the Argylls for their First Division encounter against the East Lancs this afternoon on the Railway ground, Kowloon, and should reverse the former decision against them.

Yocmans, who has been an absentee for about three weeks, re-appears at centre-half, while the forward line has been re-arranged to read as follows: Everest, V. White, Read of the Argylls, McQuade of the Argylls and Blake.

The East Lancs have been at a disadvantage since their arrival in the Colony, having been out at camp with practically very little means of practice, but in spite of this they have been able to produce some very good form.

To-day's encounter will rest entirely with the intermediate lines, for both sets of forwards are fast, although I think that Ball and North, the East Lancs wing halves, will hold White and McQuade and prevent any openings down the centre.

PETERSEN ATTEMPTS THE COMEBACK PATH

Bout With Crossley

London, Feb. 10. Jack Petersen, who recently lost his British heavyweight boxing title to Len Harvey, will meet Harry Crossley in his initial effort to stage a comeback. The bout will take place at Nimrod Park, Cardiff, on February 26. —Reuter.

COMBINED SERVICES ELEVEN

Game Against Macao
On Thursday.

The following will represent the Combined Services against Macao in the Naval ground, King's Park, on Thursday at 2.45 p.m.:
Pte. Hollingsworth

Lt. Metcalfe

Lt. Comdr. MacVicker R.N.

Lt. Comdr. Hill R.N. (captain)
Sgt. Halford

Lt. Larkin R.N.

Lt. Donald R.N.

Lt. Eaden R.N.

Lt. Alexander Sinclair R.N.

Lt. Garthwaite

Sepoy Lal Singh

Reserve—Sub-Lt. Cheyne R.N.

LINCOLNS SUFFER TWO DEFEATS

Stamina Of Indians
Responsible

GARRISON HOCKEY KNOCK-OUT TOURNEY

TWO further games in the Garrison Hockey Knock-Out competition have been played with the following results:

First Round (Second replay)
"D" Coy. Punjab 3 "C" Coy.
Lincoln 0

Second Round

1st H.K.S.R.A. 5 "D" Coy. Lin-

coln 1

A feature of the two games was

the stamina of the Indian sides.

In the first match, which followed

two former encounters of 1-1 and

0-0, no goals were scored in the

first half, while in the second

match the Lincolns led by a goal at

the interval only to be beaten by 5

goals to 1.

CLUB "A" BEAT RECREIO

The Hong Kong Hockey Club

"A" eleven defeated the Club de

Recreio in a friendly hockey en-

counter at King's Park yesterday

by the odd goal in 3.

F. S. W. Smith and G. E. R.

Divitt scored for the Club, and A.

Xavier netted for the Recreio.

In the other First Division encounter to-day, the Artillery met the Recreio at King's Park, and are likely to be fully extended by a much improved team.

The Recreio, although they are at the bottom of the League, have been unfortunate rather than having played badly, and this afternoon they will be meeting a weakened Artillery team, whose defence is by no means sound with the loss of Allen.

In the Second Division the Club will be meeting South China, leaders of the Division, and are likely to sustain their first defeat in over a month.

The Club are making no changes in the team which defeated the Artillery last week by the only goal.

The Navy's clash with the Lincolns at Kowloon should provide a good afternoon's football, as both are evenly matched, possessing plenty of speed and good football talent.

Harper is replacing Evans in the inside-right position for the Lincolns.

The Navy, who have performed extraordinarily well this season in spite of several reverses, are expected to win.

In the other Second Division games the Borderers should extract two points from the Young Indians, while the Artillery should have the better of the Athletic.

The Lincolns third team shows one change, Potter filling Harper's vacancy at inside-left. They should beat the Service Corps, whom they trounced by seven clear goals in their first encounter.



The following is my forecast, giving former results this season in brackets:—

To-day.

FIRST DIVISION
Recreio (-) v ARTILLERY (-)
(King's Park, 4.15 p.m.)
Kowloon (2) v E. LANCS (3)
(Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
NAVY (0) v LINCOLNS (0)
(Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)
BORDERERS (0) v Y. INDIANS (1)
(Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)
ATHLETIC (1) v ARTILLERY (4)
(Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)
CLUB (0) v SOUTH CHINA (5)
(Club, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION
R.A.M.C. (1) v R.A.F. (0)
(Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)
SOUTH CHINA (-) v RECREIO (-)
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
LINCOLNS (7) v R.A.S.C. (0)
(King's Park, 2.45 p.m.)
UNIVERSITY (-) v RADIO (-)
(Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)

If Scotland's prospects must be considered good the same can hardly be said of those of either Wales or Ireland. There is something curiously amiss with Welsh football in these days. The Welshman has a Rugby brain that is more receptive and more agile than most, but the cleverness of the modern Welsh back has descended into mere adding. —E. W. Swanton.

SHANGHAI JOCKEYS BEGIN TRAINING AT VALLEY

Mr. Y. S. Chang And Mr. F.
Marshall Arrive In Colony

Mr. Y. S. Chang and Mr. F. Marshall, the Shanghai jockeys, were seen out on the track this morning at the Valley.
Mr. Chang was riding the Dynasty candidates and Mr. Marshall took out Mr. H. S. Chan's entries.



SERVICES' RUGBY TRIAL MATCH.

Triangular Tournament
Concluding Match.

ARMY v NAVY TO-DAY

The game between the Navy, the champions, and the Army to-day on the Club ground will be in the nature of a Services' Rugby Trial for the coming game against Shanghai on February 17.

This match, which will commence at 4 p.m., will conclude the Tournament, the standings in which are as follows:

	Pts.
Navy	3 3 0 48 6 6
Army	3 1 2 25 33 2
Club	4 1 3 29 50 2

MISS SCRIVEN WINS ANOTHER TITLE.

Beats Miss Ridley For
Portuguese Title.

Lisbon, Feb. 3. In an all-British final, Miss Peggy Scriven, the holder of the French title, defeated Miss Joan Ridley to win the Portuguese International lawn tennis singles championship.

Miss Scriven took a long time to warm up, but, once she got going, there was no stopping her. The score was 1-6, 7-5, 6-1. —Rutler.

BASKETBALL

Open League Series
At Chinese "Y"

In the Hong Kong Open League Basketball series at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, last evening, Chung Sing Benevolent Society beat the Overseas Teachers by scores of 21 to 12. Chung Nam beat South China "B", 44 to 25 while South China "A", beat Chinese Y "B", 30 to 21.

The best player in football at the present time is Brown, of Glasgow Rangers. —A Daily Mail writer.

Entries And Weights For Kwanti Race Meeting

THE following are the complete

entries for the Panling Hunt

and Race Club Meeting on Sunday,

February 18:

1.—2.30 P.M.—The "Fat Choy" Hur-

dle Race.—For China Ponies.

Weight for inches as per scale plus

2 lbs. Winners of any hurdle race

or steeplechase this season barred.

Winner—A Cup not exceeding

\$50 in value; 2nd and 3rd—70%

and 30% of entry fees respectively.

Entry Fee \$5. One and a quarter

Miles.

Christmas Belle (155) lbs., Donna-

bella (158) lbs., Festival Eve (158) lbs.,

(Late Green) Butterfly (161), Sticky-

past (161). The Goat (155) and White

Heather (164).

7 Entries.

2.—3.00 P.M.—The China New Year

Handicap Steeplechase. For China

Ponies. Winner—A Cup not ex-

ceeding \$50 in value; 2nd and 3rd—

70% and 30% of Entry Fees respec-

tively. Entry fee \$5. One

and three quarter Miles.

Burgomaster (155), Duke of Milan

(148), Marquis Hall (160), No Fear

TAI YAT CUP RACE IN NO WIND

ROLLA BENEFITS BY THE CONDITIONS

THE ILLINGSWORTH CUP

(BY CAPTAIN CUTTLE)

A disappointing lack of wind, characterised the long Tai Yat Cup Race last Sunday, 19 miles to Datum Rock and back by way of Stonecutters Island.

It was almost a foregone conclusion therefore that the scratch boat Rolla (Mr. R. Stock) with her high and ample sail plan would be able to profit from such conditions and save her time on the rest. And so it proved, but the Anker yacht Jan, steered on a crafty course with the tide towards Cap-sium by her owner Capt. Krogh-Moe, looked at one time to have an excellent chance.

It would have been phenomenal, however, for an Anker yacht with her small sail area to have won that day. Capt. Krogh-Moe did very well indeed to gain second place.

The yachts not eligible for the Tai Yat sailed the same course, only the opposite way round, and curiously enough got such better results that they finished before the Tai Yat lot.

The eight Anker yachts ineligible for the Tai Yat held a dollar sweepstake on the result of their race which was won by Mr. G. G. Wood in Artemis.

Isobel (Commander Cowland) withdrew in favour of "Gull" (Mr. Odland) after an exciting luffing match, which ended in Gull being crowded up against a mark boat.

Withdrawal after a foul is the proper way to avoid tedious protest cases. When both helmsmen are really well acquainted with the racing rules—rules admittedly somewhat complicated—a protest does not invariably arise when a foul occurs. The helmsman in fault simply withdraws from the race. He may go on sailing, of course, but his racing flag is hauled down and he takes care not to backwind or otherwise incommode competitors still in the race.

Open Sea Race

The Illingsworth Cup, which is being competed for during Chinese New Year by cruisers in a more or less open sea race to Single Island, was presented by Lieutenant John Illingsworth, R.N. in 1929 with a view to encouraging racing in open waters.

Lieutenant Illingsworth was no arm chair yachtsman either for he won the Hong Kong Cruiser Championship with Queen Bee in 1929, and in 1931 in Lo III, an ex-9-metre cutter designed by Anker, was first to finish in the Channel Race at Home.

Our Macao Race is a longish race, but can hardly be described as in real open sea. In fact that is one of the reasons why the seas are sometimes so steep and confused off the West River mouth. If it were open sea and deep water the waves would be longer and the motion much easier, at least so the open sea race partisans aver.

Tavy II Improved

In Commander Cowland the yacht club sailing committee have a member who has personally sailed in a Eastnet Race, and is also well acquainted with Lieutenant Illingsworth and the donor's views as to this cup competition.

It is no secret, therefore, that Commander Cowland has been behind the movement this year towards a real open sea race for cruisers and has been backed by a large section of clubs opinion.

Unfortunately Tavy II the yacht Commander Cowland sails in cruiser races is a slow boat and even with the handicap allowance has little chance of winning in her present trim.

I hear, however, that great alterations will be carried out immediately which should improve Tavy's form and give her quite a good chance at last.

Tavy's Iron Keel is to be lowered and more weight added. This will make her stand up to her canvas much better in a breeze.

Among other gadgets in preparation for the open sea race to Single Island I noticed a complicated binnacle box which Mr. Rouse of U. & I. is having fitted. This will light the compass for the helmsman, but will not dazzle the rest of the crew.

Mr. Shields, on Luana, has fitted an ingenious electric lamp which hoisted to the mast head illumines the direction of the wind valve, an extremely useful fitting this for close-hauled night sailing.

F. A. AMATEUR CUP Kingstonians Held In Second Round.

BIG CROWD WITNESS
DRAWN GAME

London, Jan. 4. Cup fever has attacked followers of amateur as well as professional football this week, and no fewer than sixteen matches in the Second Round of the F.A. Amateur Cup competition were played yesterday afternoon, the most important of them being that in which Wimbledon drew with Kingstonians before the very big crowd—for amateur fixtures—of 6,500.

Here is a complete list of the results:—

Barnet 4 Horsham 2
Barnet Rangers 1 Perle Sham 0
Barnet G.W.A. 5 Portland Utd 0
Chesham Utd. 7 Maidenhead Utd. 0
Dulwich Hamlet 3 Walthamstow 2

Enfield 1 Leyton 1
Evenwood-Town 2 1st Bat Dham 1

Kingstonian 1 Wimbledon 0
Jedon Caledonians 2 Leamstead 0
Metro Police 4 Keyham 0

Rawmarsh 3 Walford 5

Sour Bank 3 Marine 0

Sutton Colliery 2 Perryhill Ath. 2

Sutton United 4 Apsey 0

Yshire Amateurs 1 Bishop Auckland 0

The Casuals 2 Tuffnell Park 0

Swimming in cold weather would

appear to be a manual process with

many. They think they are cold, and

they are cold, and never give it a

proper trial. During the past few

weeks I have met dozens of people

who never swim in winter before,

but who are doing so this year, and

they tell me their only regret is that

they have missed so many opportuni-

ties.—Frederick Boyd.

RICKETTS' WEAKNESS ON THE BACKHAND

Cassumbhoy's Service
Wins Match

HO KA LAU WEAK OVERHEAD IN COLONY DOUBLES GAME

The sensational collapse of M. Beach Thomas and G. R. M. Ricketts when they were within an ace of taking the first set in their First Round encounter against J. A. Cassumbhoy and I. M. A. Razack in the Colony Open Doubles Tennis Championship at the H. K. C. C. yesterday, cost them their match, for the Indian pair swept them off their feet to take the set at 9-7 and the following one at 6-3.

Ricketts is a very polished player, but he is weak on the backhand and the backhand volley. He however, topped the mark in his ground shots and overhead work, his tremendous reach costing the Indian pair many a point when they lobbed.

Cassumbhoy started shakily, but his terrific service had a telling effect on Ricketts and his partner in the latter stages of the game. Cassumbhoy being responsible for taking the set with some very pretty play.

Beach Thomas was very clever at the net although he was very lucky on occasions with his sliced stroke, which deceived his opponents time and again.

Service Wins Set

The first set produced ding-dong play, the games going alternately until Cassumbhoy's devastating service gave him and his partner the first set.

In the second set Cassumbhoy and Razack played to their opponents, back-hand with considerable success, taking the set at 6-3.

The careless display of D. S. Green was responsible for H. Ka-lau and Tsui Wal-pui securing an easy victory in their first doubles game.

Ho was very weak in his overhead work, but it was in this department that Tsui excelled, his fine smashing being a feature of the game.

D. S. Green was too intent on driving, and gave little thought of getting the ball into court, most of his drives finding the spectators. His service was particularly weak, while he served innumerable double faults.

The following were yesterday's results:—

Open Doubles—First Round

C. A. Barretto and A. V. Remedios beat G. Gamble and J. G. Haigh 6-2, 6-3.
F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang beat J. Remedios and L. A. da Silva 6-1, 6-0.

Ho Ka-lau and Tsui Wal-pui beat D. S. and S. E. Green 6-2, 6-2.
J. A. Cassumbhoy and I. M. A. Razack beat M. Beach Thomas and G. R. M. Ricketts 9-7, 6-3.

Open Singles—First Round

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ROWLES NOT GRANTED LEAVE
FOR BIG BOUT

Mate's Distance 9 Furlongs

(By ROVER)

FLEETWOOD Smith, who is making his first Test tour for Australia this summer, was treated with great respect by Don Bradman, who scored 187 not out in a fighting innings for New South Wales against Victoria. The left-hander took 7 for 138 in a total of 355.

I understand that there is every probability of a Rugby team from New South Wales making a tour of Japan next year, thus following in the footsteps of the Australian Universities' touring party.

This will be the first time one of the big Rugby-playing countries has visited Japan and they may be astonished at the standard of the game there.

The Japanese have taken it up with zest. Their immensely powerful physique and their inherent quickness of movement and cleverness make them ideal players.

For many years they used to laugh at the Englishmen who played Rugby in Kobe and Yokohama; now Kobe and Tokyo are strongholds of native talent.

All possibility of Seaman Rowles opposing Jack Peterson in a programme at Cardiff on January 20 was dispelled when Rowles left Sheerness on board H.M.S. Valiant for the spring cruise.

It had been hoped that Rowles would be granted leave, but the authorities refused the request. Rowles was former Colony heavyweight champion when with the China Fleet.

A Berlin message says that Hermann Adrian, aged 76, a member of the Nelson Rowing Club, of Halle, has rowed 1,382 miles during the year, "which is believed to be a record for a man of his age."

I do not think anyone will dispute it. The making of records and championships which interest no one but the competitor and his relatives is without end.

Some facts about Mate, the American challenger to Hyperion for next year's Ascot Gold Cup, lead me to believe that Mr. A. C. Bostwick's five-year-old is unlikely to lower the colours of Lord Derby's champion.

In four seasons of racing Mate has taken part in 60 races; won 19; been second in 11, third in 17, and unplaced 13 times. As a four-year-old in 1932, he won only one race in 19 attempts. During the season just ended he won 3 races out of 11.

Mate has never won over a distance longer than 1 1/2 miles; his best distance is 9 furlongs.

The 56,700 lbs. Mate has already won for Mr. Bostwick in stakes will doubtless be increased but it would be a remarkable training feat if Ivor Anthony could win the Ascot Gold Cup for his American patron.

At the request of the two presidents, Mr. H. A. Game will again officiate as umpire for the Boat Race on March 17.

It is probable that the team of United States amateur golfers who will oppose Britain in the Walker Cup match at St. Andrew's on May 11 and 12 will make their first appearance of their tour at Sandwich on May 5 next.

This is the date on which the open amateur competition for the St. George's links and the event may provide a suitable try-out for the team before they leave for Scotland.

E. A. Watts, who did good all-round work as an amateur for Surrey last season, has decided to play for the county in future as a professional. An excellent bowler, above medium pace, with nip off the pitch, he can also hit hard. Last season Watts finished fifth in the Surrey averages with nearly 40 runs per innings, and took 28 wickets for a little less than 25 runs each.

Two well-known sportsmen, Reginald Addington Ingle and J. W. J. Rinkel, are engaged to be married. Ingle, who is captain of the Somerset cricket eleven, was at Oundle and Cambridge, and is 30 years of age. Rinkel was one of the British representatives at the Olympic Games at Amsterdam in 1928 and represented Cambridge against Oxford and the American Universities and England against France.

The late M. Keogh, who originally rode in Ireland, first came into prominence in this country by a lucky chance mount in 1925.

Fred Rees, at that time the crack cross-country rider, was to have ridden Shaun Gollin in the Grand Section Steeplechase, but he could not make the weight, and Keogh rode Shaun Gollin to victory.

For putting my right forearm rests on the top of the right thigh. That anchors the arm and restricts the scope, and prevents you getting your shoulders or body away into the stroke. Mark Seymour.

Phillies' Pilot?



Reports are persistent to the effect that Jimmy Wilson, star batsman of the Philadelphia National League team, will be elevated to the post of manager for the 1934 season. Wilson was recently acquired from the St. Louis Cardinals in return for Catcher Virgil Davis.

RACING

(Continued from Page 4.)

4.40 P.M.—The Canberra Steeplechase—For Australian Ponies whether or not subscription griffins. Weight, four inches as per scale plus 6 lbs. Winner—A Cup not exceeding \$50 in value; 2nd and 3rd—20% and 30% of entry fees respectively. Entry Fee \$5. One and half Miles. Belinda (155), Buck (158), Kileea (155), Rosedrop (152), St. Moritz (155), Kibibel (Late Winter's Tale) (152), and Golden Dawn (158).

7 Entries. 5.430 P.M.—The Ladies' Mile (Unofficial)—A Handicap Flat Race of one mile for China Ponies approved by the Master of the Farling Hunt as "Hunters". Winner—A Cup; 2nd and 3rd—Silver Souvenir. Entry Fee \$5. Boukka (130), Cloudy Eve (135), Devon (140), Glen Shee (145), Grock (130), No Fear (158), Spotted Leaf (120), Tim (120), Wilt (125), and Wisdom Stag (160). 10 Entries.

6.500 P.M.—The February Country Cup (Unofficial)—Over approximately two miles of fair hunting country finishing on the steeplechase course. For China Ponies, Catchweight 168 lbs. Winners of a similar country race since January 1st, 1933 barred. Winner—A Cup not exceeding \$50 in value; 2nd and 3rd—Silver Souvenir. Entry Fee \$5. Aircraft, Anson, Celery, Christmas Belle, Country Club, Donabella, Eddy, Eve, Firefly, Ginger, Grand Slam, Happy Hilo, Ike (Late Green Butter-fly), Jan, Slew, Loch Ness, Malak, Movannagher, Mouch, Much Ado, Orleans, Pat, Red Leaves, Siskind, Griffin, That's That, The Greyling, The Quail, Tigre, Toby, Wisdom Stag, Wonderful Chivalry and Zephyr. 30 Entries.

It would be indeed difficult to grade the most impressive fighters seen in Britain in the past two or three years, but those whom I think have most impressed the public are Al Brown, the world's bantam-weight champion; Jack ("Kid") Berg, and last but not least, Walter Neusel, the German Primo Camera has no appeal, he is just a physical freak.—Stanley Longstaff.

THE arrival in England of Mr. A. C. Bostwick with his Cup challenger, Mate, and the 'chaser' Cahrlveen, is a reminder that the racing this year will be more international in character than ever before.

Engagements made for Mate include the Coronation Cup at Epsom and the Ascot Gold Cup. The six-year-old may be given a preliminary race or two in good-class handicaps, such as the "Jubilee." Ivor Anthony will have charge of Mate, and old Brown Jack will be able to let the Wroughton trainer know the capabilities of the American.

Cahrlveen, who will also be quartered at Wroughton, is the property of Mr. Bostwick's sister, Mrs. R. W. McKim. A six-year-old mare by Jackdaw, out of Kelliboro Lass, and thus a full sister to the National winner, Cahrlveen is stated to have inherited the jumping ability of the family. She will be entered for the Grand National, as will another American "leaper," Jack O'Day.

It is too early to speculate regarding the strength of the French challenge for the English classic races in 1934, but Home stables appear to be better equipped than last season to meet invaders. Hyperion not being engaged, the Two Thousand Guineas fell to France last April, but one better than Rodosto will be required to beat Colombo over the Rowley Mile.

It is in the Ascot Cup that the invaders will be most formidable, and it must be hoped that Colledge Leader will have Hyperion at his best on June 21.

Four of the best-class stayers in training in France, Mate and Gusto II, (the latter in Capt. Boyd-Rochford's stable) to represent U.S.A., and three nominations from Italy promise a serious challenge for most coveted of racing trophies. The three Italian horses are the property of Mr. M. Crespi, and they are dominated by Crapom, the acknowledged champion three-year-old on the Continent last season. If Crapom and Hyperion meet in the Ascot Cup engagement, then the race will tell which is the best four-year-old horse in the world.

GOLF NOTES

By "Hook & Slice."

WITH reference to my notes on the American Walker Cup team, I am taken severely to task this week by a reader for omitting special reference to Max Marston. In apologising I would say that Marston was a member of the 1933 American Walker Cup team, won the American championship the same year, and last year, after an interval of ten years appeared in the final only to be defeated somewhat easily by Dunlop.

An interesting item was on the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Ladies' Golf Union held last night week. I refer to the suggested proposal that players be allowed to shelter during a lightning storm in the course of a round. It appears that the proposal is made on the grounds of safety and conflicts directly with the rules of Golf as laid down by the R & A which state that a player is disqualified if he is unwilling to commence his round when called upon to do so or discontinue his round owing to bad weather.

I understand that the advice of the R & A was sought and that it only arrived after the proposal had been lodged as the opinion of "Headquarters" was against any such amended ruling, it will be interesting to learn the sequel.

Fanning and Moor Park
Members of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club are advised that their committee have accepted an offer to become affiliated with the Moor Park Golf Club for a period of three years. Moor Park Club is very near London and has three 18 hole courses, 11 hard & 4 grass tennis courts and a magnificent club house. On production of a letter of introduction from their secretary, members of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club will be admitted as temporary members at the specially reduced subscription of £1 1s. 6d. per month.

"O. C. Supplies"
A new appointment has been made by the General Committee of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club this year—"O. C. Supplies" so far there has been no visible sign of activity on the part of the holder of this worthy office but we can rest assured that he is not letting the grass grow under his feet—if he were literally I would suggest that he stand often and long on the 10th green on the Old Course! With the club to stock their own supplies in future it is surely not too much to hope for a slight reduction in prices, with the dollar bordering on 1/6 it would pay, at present, to have a homestead retailer ship them to players here.

Gene Sarazen must be a modest fellow indeed. He has just made public his opinion of the first ten golfers ranking for a mythical world's championship and has omitted his own name. But he must also have a very strong idea of the superiority of American Golf for he has omitted the names

of any players other than American. The nomination of the Walker Cup team to do duty for the United States raises one big point. Why have Britain's opponents made such an early declaration of their intentions? By telling them at this stage whom they must beat is almost like offering a chance to win the trophy.

A win for Britain is certainly overdue, and a study of the areas of the American party offers encouragement. Chandler Egan, the American, is 50, but he may not be the oldest golfer in the match. The Hon. Michael Scott ought to play for Britain, and he is 55.

Scott was winning Australian titles as long ago as 1904, but the present amateur champion is now playing the finest golf of his long career. In any case, it would be advisable if the Royal and Ancient named the men of their choice. There is much to be said for an early team selection.

It would give those selected a sense of responsibility, which, I am sure, would be reflected in much patient practice during the next month or two.

Several in the British side choose themselves, but it will be just as well if all doubts and fears are set at rest now.

Real Economy
Here is a story vouched for by a professional golfer at a club near London. He has, by the way, played in international matches. It had been the practice at this club for members to initial their golf balls, and when lost ones were recovered they were returned to the member on payment of a small sum to the caddy.

Just before Christmas a caddy asked: "Have you a ball belonging to Mr. —? He is going on holiday and has sent me for it."

At the same club a member took in a couple of clubs and asked that second-hand grips should be fitted.

Prince And Prestwick
The Prince of Wales, one of the most enthusiastic golfers in the country, is to become captain of the Prestwick Club, Ayrshire. His year of office will coincide with the amateur championship meeting on that course at the end of May. There will be a strong contingent of United States players in the field, and it is possible that the Prince, as captain, will present the prizes at the end of the meeting.

The open championship was played at Prestwick in the year of its inception by the club (1860), and Prestwick was one of the clubs responsible for the inauguration of the amateur championship. Willie Park, of Musselburgh, won the honour.

It was also at Prestwick that young Tom Morris won the trophy outright, having been successful on three occasions.

CAER CLARK CUP HOCKEY

Champions Clash With The Saints

TO-DAY'S GAME MAY DECIDE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Hong Kong Ladies', champions of the Caer Clark Cup Competition, will commence their second round in the competition to-day when they meet their strongest rivals, the St. Andrew's Ladies, in a game, in which the championship may well be decided.

The Hong Kong Ladies, who have won the Cup for the past three years, are a point behind with a game in hand. The Saints have defeated all other teams in the competition, losing only to the Hong Kong Ladies by 3 goals to 1 in the first encounter.

The Hong Kong Ladies' are again favoured to win, although they will be fully extended by the Saints, who are fielding their full team.

The "Y" Ladies will have little difficulty in overcoming the Central British Schoolgirls in their second match at King's park, while the Recreio Ladies "A" eleven will meet their junior eleven on the "Y" ground, King's Park, and not the Marina as was originally arranged. They defeated their junior team by 4 goals to nil in the first encounter.

The following are the teams in to-day's competition matches. St. Andrew's v H. K. Ladies (Sookundoo, 2.30 p.m.)

St. Andrew's—Mrs. R. Rose; E. Landolt; G. White; M. Churn; J. Wong; I. Wolley; F. Wong; L. Rogers; M. Wolley; I. Gittins and P. Gittins. H. K. Ladies—M. Bird; E. M. Gray; B. Helbling; M. Wallace; B. Pope; Mrs. M. K. Lowe; E. Bell; J. Dziel; E. Bonnar; J. Churchill and Mrs. S. Adams.

"Y" Ladies v C.B.S. (C.B.A. grd. King's Park, 2.30 p.m.) "Y" Ladies—Mrs. M. Read; Mrs. Portallan; A. Fowler; B. Blumenthal; E. Thomson; M. Gardner; V. Bradbury; M. Glendening; R. Blackmore; T. Dennis and O. Brown.

C.B.S.—D. Moss; E. Ingram; J. Bryson; J. de Chaffoy; K. Mor; J. Luakman; H. Knill; L. Hickey; J. Booker; J. Booker and E. Rousseau. Recreio "A" v Recreio "B"

"Y" grd., King's Park, 3 p.m.) Recreio "A"—B. D'Almada; M. Bato; C. Osmund; L. Xavier; M. Alves; L. Silva-Netto; M. Remedios; A. Alves; C. Silva; M. Bosa and B. Remedios.

Recreio "B"—G. Roxa; O. Botelho; T. Moronah; Y. Britto; E. Rozario; A. Almeida; C. Silva; M. Xavier; I. Botelho; C. Botelho and M. Figueiredo.

League Table to Date

C.B.A. To Meet H.K. Juniors

The C.B.A. Ladies' who are the only team in the competition without a fixture will meet the Hong Kong Ladies' second eleven in a friendly encounter at Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m.

The following are the teams: H.K. Ladies—A. N. Othier; P. Thorpe; J. Smalley; B. Hance; A. Owen-Hughes; E. O'Hagen; W. Marsh; J. Whyte; M. Smalley; S. Jefferies and R. King. C.B.A. Ladies—Mrs. Hodson; P. Woolley; F. Walker; M. Bryson; E. Beavis; G. MacNider; D. Hunt; M. Whitley; E. Woolley; M. Smith and Mrs. Miles.

SECOND INDIA TRIAL TO-DAY

Preparations For The International

The second Indian hockey trial, to enable the Selection Committee to pick the Indian team for the forthcoming International Hockey Tournament in April, will be played on the Marina ground, Kowloon, to-day at 4.45 p.m.

The following will take part in the game. Whites—Bhag Ali (Mole Corps); Khan Bahadur (Punjab); Khushi Mohammed (Police); Jagreet (Singh); Radho; Bachan Singh (H.K.S.); Ganonran Singh (H.K.S.); Attar Singh (Radio); Kishan Singh (H.K.S.); Gurbahean Singh (Radio); Karter Singh (Punjab); and K. Hussain (K.L.T.C.).

Colours—Feroz Khan (H.K.S.); Kishan Singh (H.K.S.); J. S. Grewal (Radio); Waryam Singh (K.L.T.C.); Tara Singh (H.K.S.); Mohinder Singh (Radio); Karam Singh (H.K.S.); E. Khan (Police); Tara Singh (H.K.S.); (H.K.S.); M. P. Panto (K.L.T.C.); and Harjathian Singh (K.L.T.C.).

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Steel And Iron Works
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WILL EMPLOY 1,250 EUROPEANS

Pretoria (Transvaal). Barring accidents, the Union will be producing iron and steel in next month. Costing \$5,500,000 to establish, the works of the South African Iron and Steel Industrial Corporation are now in the final phase of their long period of construction. When production starts, 1,250 Europeans will be employed in the undertaking.

Arrangements have to be made for the gradual starting up of the various departments of the works in proper sequence, having in view the fact that the starting up of one department provides the necessary supplies for the next succeeding department and so on.

Thus the first department that will be started will be the coal crushing plants at the collieries in Natal and Witbank. This will be followed by the starting of the coke-oven plant.

It will require at least eight weeks for the gradual heating up of the large coke-oven retorts before the actual manufacture of coke can be started.

The heating of the large blast furnace, as well as the steel-making furnaces, which require several weeks for the purpose, must also be timed to coincide with the working of the coke-oven and blast furnace departments.

This is turn will be followed by the putting into operation of the rolling mills, which will turn out the final steel products of the works.

The Corporation's power station, with its equipment of boilers, by turbo-generators, turbo-slowers and the large main switchboard, is the chief servant of all departments, and its completion must be timed to suit the finishing of all the other contracts. This principle applies to other general utility departments such as the water department and the railway tracks throughout the works.

Train Time Tables.

Approximate time tables of all railway traffic from the coal and iron mines and quarries must be worked out for the information of the S.A.R. Administration, and this traffic must be well organized beforehand so as to be put into operation immediately the starting date of the steel works is decided.

The general works manager and his staff have fixed a provisional date for starting up the whole works, depending on the dates of completion of the numerous contracts.

Weekly reports arrive regularly at noon every Saturday from each of the contracts indicating progress and whether this fits in with the predicted starting date.

If all goes well, the steel works should be in full swing towards the end of March, but it cannot be expected that the setting to work of over 50 contracts will be realised without the usual start-up difficulties.—Reuter.

LUTHER'S LETTER FOR AMERICA

Contains Outline Of
Religious Beliefs.

411-YEAR-OLD MISSIVE

New York.

A letter written by Martin Luther in which the leader of the reformation set forth his religious beliefs has been brought here by Mr. Gabriel Wells, the well-known collector of rare documents.

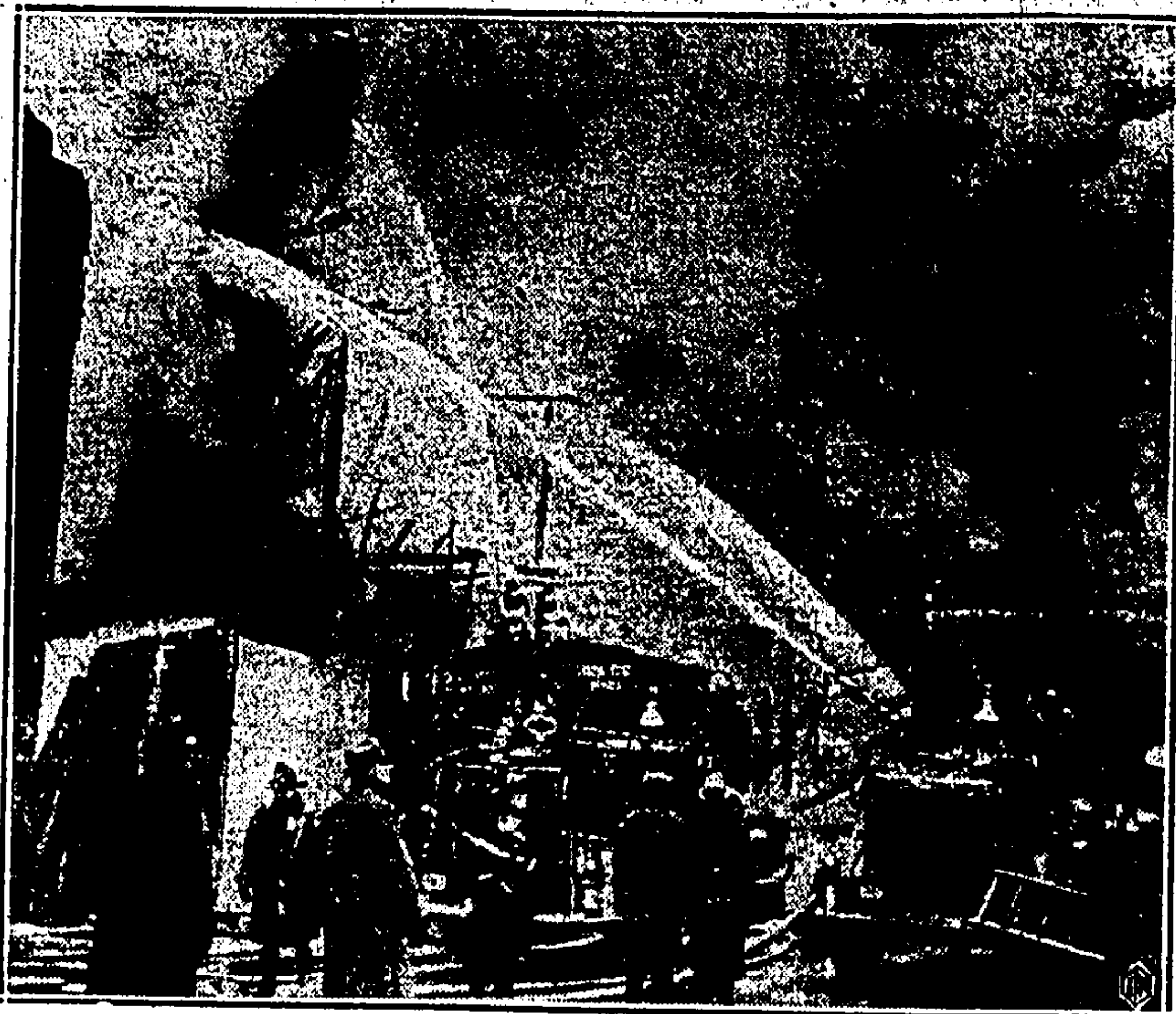
Mr. Wells, who found the four-page letter in England, described it as one of the most important autograph letters by Luther ever discovered outside Germany.

The letter, which was apparently written about 1523, was addressed to Count Albrecht Von Mansfeld, a staunch upholder of Luther's religious tenets.

"Your Grace," Luther wrote, "has a good friend who is well inclined towards the Gospel but nevertheless refuses in practice to adopt the same, with its commandments."

Luther then went on to outline what, in his opinion, Christianity

As Flames Ravaged Home of Boston Red Sox



Handicapped by clouds of thick smoke, fire fighters in some tarred canvas used in reconstruction work, are shown working to subdue the blaze that did \$250,000 worth of damage to Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox. The fire is believed to have started in the bleachers and centerfield pavilion were destroyed and firemen had to work like Trojans to prevent spread of blaze into nearby buildings.

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders For The Coming Week.

Orders issued by Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, H.K.V.D.C.—
Hong Kong, Feb. 9, 1934.

PARADE

Corps 1st Battery
Signal Section parade at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday February 13th. at Headquarters.

There will be a lecture at H. Q. on Thursday February 15th. at 5.30 p.m.

Camp will be held at Belchers Fort from Friday March 2nd. to Sunday March 4th. Every member must attend. Details later.

Corps Signals

Owing to the Chinese New Year Holidays there will be no parade next week. Parade at Volunteer H. Q. on Tuesday 20th. February for Signal Instruction.

Corps Engineers

Monday February 12th—Miniature Range. Friday March 2nd. Camp. Belchers Fort.

Corps Machine Gun Battalion Troop—All ranks will fire Rifle Part III at Stonecutters on Sunday 11th. inst.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.40 a.m.

Parade on Tuesday 13th at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction.

No. 3 Company (Anzac)
Parade at Headquarters on Monday 12th. February at 5.30 p.m. for machine gun instruction. Those men chosen to represent the Company in the forthcoming Competition will parade each Monday and Friday night at 5.30 p.m. until further notice.

Corps Infantry (Portuguese)
Parade—There will be no parade on Tuesday, 13th. February.

Interport Competitions & Co's Annual Rifle Meeting—These competition will be fired in conjunction with Classification Tests on February 25th. Details will be issued at a later date.

Rifle & Bayonets
All members of the Corps are again reminded that Rifles & Bayonets are not allowed to be kept at their houses.

At present, this order is not being carried out.

All Rifles must be returned to the Corps Armoury at once.

Training

1st. Battery and Corps Engineers will undergo training at Belcher's Fort from 2nd. March to 4th. March, 1934.

Officers Sword Drill
All available Officers will attend for Sword Drill under the Adjutant at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on the following dates:—

Friday, 16th. February.

Thursday, 22nd. February.

Monday, 26th. February.

Dress—Muff, Sam Brown Belt, Sword.

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required of the individual. It demanded, he wrote, that "good works should be directed toward one's neighbours," that one should preach and believe his word, and "know what, in his opinion, Christianity

was openly without fear."—Reuter.

Volunteer Air Arm

The undermentioned have been selected to undergo flying instruction at the Far East Flying Training School beginning March 3rd. 1934.

"A" Flight:—

Captain J. C. Macgown.
1309 L/Sgt. N. A. E. Mackay
1760 Bdr. D. Marshall.
1423 Pte. L. M. Roza Pereira.
1697 Sgr. E. L. Mehal.

"B" Flight:—

Lt. J. F. Wright
1316 L/Sgt. H. Burson
1319 L/Sgt. E. H. P. White
1507 Sgr. F. K. Nahi
2104 Pte. E. L. Curtis

Waiting Members:—

1596 L/Cpl. L. G. da Silva
1557 Pte. J. F. C. Mackay
1775 Pte. L. A. da Roza
2052 Pte. A. S. Xavier

Members who wish to register their names in the waiting list of the Volunteer Air Arm should notify the Adjutant by 16th. February 1934. Particulars of instruction can be obtained from the Adjutant by personal application.

General Holidays

Corps Headquarters will be closed for Chinese New Year Holidays on 14th. and 15th. February, 1934 except for business of an urgent nature.

Appointment

Captain D. W. Mortlock, 1st. Bn. Strait Settlement Volunteer Force has been appointed Local Temporary Captain with effect from 1st. November 1933 and attached to Corps Machine Gun Battalion Headquarters.

Leave & Return

No. 1734 Pte. N. Mathieson, Reserve Company, B Section, granted 12 months leave from 1-3-34 to 1-3-35.

No. 1121 Spr. G. E. L. Johnson, Corps Engineers, returned from leave as from 9-2-34.

Struck Off Strength
Having Completed 3 year's service:—

No. 1656 Cpl. R. E. Stott, Signal Section, as from 9-2-34.

No. 1026 Pte. S. Jex, Reserve Co., B. Section, as from 6-2-34.

No. 1649 Sgr. A. S. Suffad, Signal Section, as from 9-2-34.

Over 3 year's service:—

No. 672 Pte. B. Wylie, Reserve Co., B Section, as from 9-2-34.

No. 1890 Pte. J. Revie, No. 6 Platoon, as from 9-2-34.

No. 1469 Pte. G. N. Mitchell, Reserve Co., B Section, 9-2-34.

No. 1627 Pte. D. S. Robb, No. 7 Platoon, as from 1-2-34.

SGD. P. S. M. WILKINSON, CAPTAIN, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

The undermentioned amounts have been collected for Dr. Barnardo's Home.

Canteen \$5.55
Sergeant Mess 84
Total \$7.49

A draft has been sent for this amount.

"HEAVEN-SENT HEALER" CAUSES STIR IN NATAL

Europeans Reported
Among Patients.

NATIVE ORDERED TO
"MOVE ON"

Ladysmith (Natal). Posing as a prophet and a heaven-sent healer, a Zanzibar native has caused a great stir among local natives. Within a few days he had hundreds of natives flocking round him. His method of effecting a "cure" is to place the sick person on the ground and cover him with blankets. He then calls on the congregation to form a circle and to join with him in singing psalms and hymns. After a lusty rendering the "healer" then sends a maiden to a spring from which she brings back two bottles of water. The patient is then given the water to drink and the "cure" is effected.

Unfortunately for the Zanzibar native the Native Commissioner told him to move on, and this order led to a large deputation of natives waiting on the Native Commissioner.

The spokesman of the deputation told the Commissioner that it would be cruel to send the man away at this stage when there were so many "cures" still to be effected.

Services Without Pay.
The spokesman said that included in the "healer's" patients were Europeans. It was said that the "healer" did not take a farthing for his services. The spokesman said that since the advent of the "healer" the witch doctors had suffered a very severe setback. Their practices had been ruined.

Asked what "cures" had been effected the spokesman said "The blind see, and the dumb talk." There was the case of a girl who had been dumb, but since she had been to the prophet they could not stop her talking. With it all the "prophet" observed the "strictest medical etiquette," and never told the public what his patients were suffering from.—Reuter.

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NATIVES OF PAPUA FORSAKE HEAD-HUNTING

Pig-Sticking A More
Worthy Sport.

CHINESE KEPT AS "FOOD
SUPPLY" IN 1858

Sydney, N. S. W.

Head-hunting as a pastime may no longer be enjoyed with impunity by the native warriors of Papua. The white man has set his face against it. Recognising, however, the need of a little healthy excitement to relieve the tedium of village life, the Government points to the hunting of the wild pig as a sport more worthy of the prowess and cunning of a warrior than the killing of men and women in their sleep. So pig hunting has taken the place of head-hunting. According to Miss Bramell, who lectured on the subject at the Australian Museum recently, the natives have taken kindly to the change.

It seems that women were not without blame for the head-hunting business. No man was considered to have any social status worth mentioning unless he had taken human life. Every girl preferred to have as her lover a man who possessed as proof of his valour one or more human skulls—even the skull of an old woman was deemed better than none at all. When things were dull in the village women would tease and deride the men until they started off on a head-hunting raid, usually upon some smaller and weaker tribe, which would be attacked in the night.

The most infamous of the head-hunters were the Tugeri of Western Papua. Heads were sliced off by means of a bamboo knife, and various methods were employed by preserving and decorating them. Hundreds of skulls are to be seen artistically arranged in racks down the centre of the men's club houses in the villages. These clubs, by the way, were strictly for men's use only; death was the penalty for a woman who entered one. Victims Always Bled.

Strictly speaking, the head-hunters were not cannibals. They required the head as an ornament, but had no use for the body. Coastal cannibals, such as the Goari Bari, boiled their victims before eating, and looked with contempt upon bush and inland cannibals who preferred their victims baked or roasted. Non-cannibalistic tribes took no pleasure in the society of man-eaters.

Miss Bramell concluded her talk by recounting the fate of 320 Chinese who were wrecked off Rossel Island in 1858. They were maintained as a food supply by the cannibals, who killed off one or more as required from time to time. The only one of the prisoners to miss the cooking pot was a lean individual, who was allowed to escape. He eventually reached Melbourne, went to the goldfields, and was arrested there on a charge of sly-grog selling. The magistrate, when he heard the accused man's strange story, let him off with a caution.—Reuter.

R. F. C. LOAN FOR WINE FIRM

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OTHER U.S. CONCERNS APPLY

Washington.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has granted one loan to a firm making wine and has requests from a number of others to finance the turning of the current grape crop into wine.

The amount and name of the company receiving the loan have been withheld, but requests have come from firms in California and New Jersey. The Corporation expects to get applications from other sections of the country.

With the legalization of B.2 wine loans to grape processors became legal and the Corporation liberalized its policy which previously had restricted loans to processors of such products as tomatoes, pears and similar farm products. The loans are secured by mortgages on plants and the contents of warehouses. The new crop is not taken as security.—Reuter.

TOWN DEPRIVED OF TOBACCO.

Calais Smokers In Queer
Predicament.

Calais. Unexpected hard frosts in France have deprived Calais of its tobacco supplies for a whole day.

Ice had made the main Boulogne-Calais road so slippery that the van bringing the weekly tobacco supplies to the latter port were only able to get as far as Wimereux.

All day long smokers could be seen vainly calling at the various tobacconists in their efforts to get a cigarette or a pipeful of tobacco.—Reuter.

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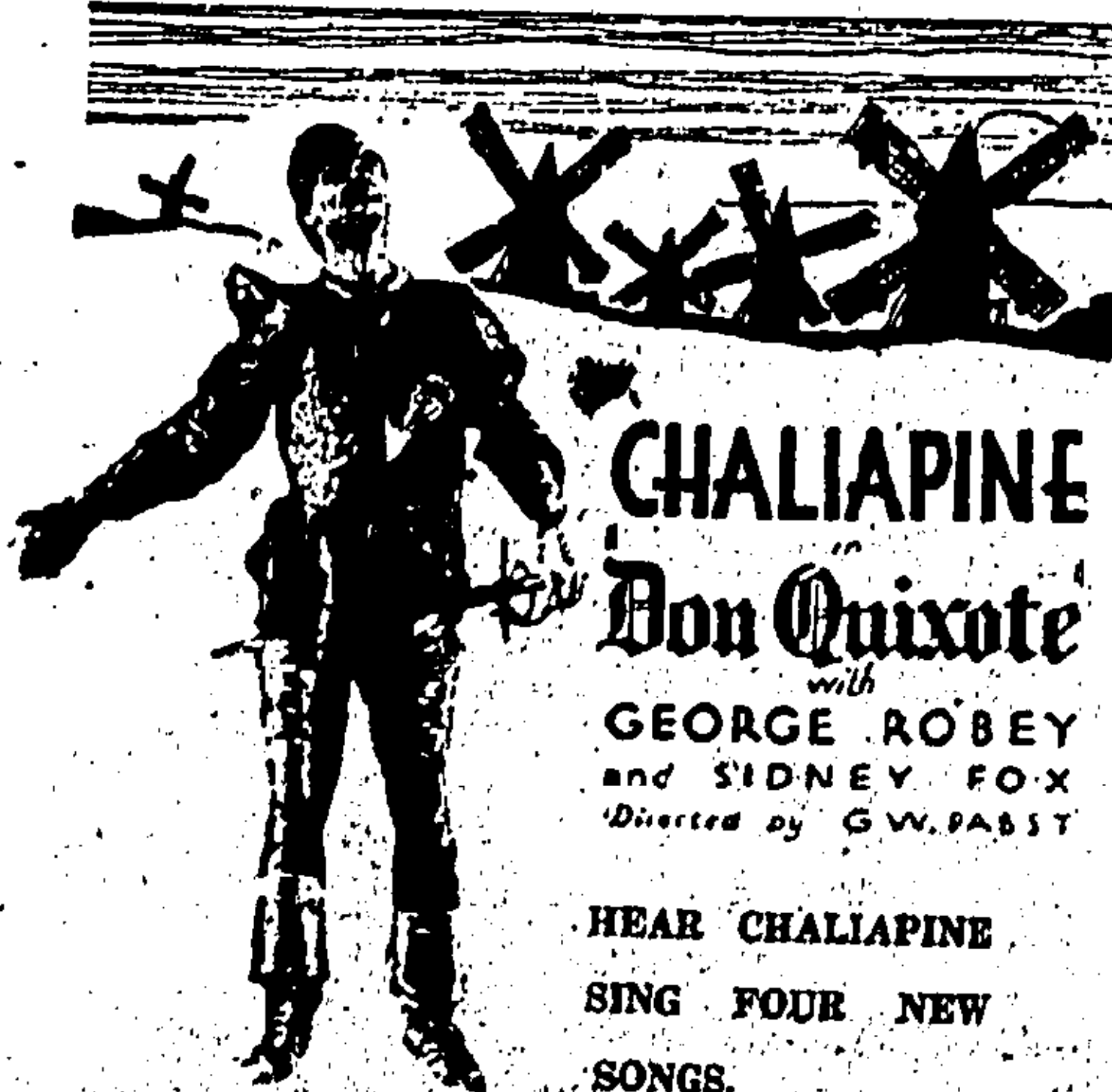
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Saturday, Feb. 10, 1934.

British Shipping
Depression.

So severe is the British shipping depression that, in order to meet the demands of the banks to whom the owners have become indebted, efficient ships are now being sold to foreign buyers at prices amounting to only a fraction of the cost of construction. British tonnage is declining both absolutely and, still more, relatively to the tonnage of other commercial nations. The total mercantile shipping of the world has increased by over 21,000,000 tons since 1914, that of Great Britain has diminished by 300,000 tons. The vessels now being sold at bargain prices to foreign buyers will intensify the already intense foreign competition and will make it more difficult for British shipping to profit by any recovery in international trade. This is not a new problem. It has agitated the shipping world for years. Until recently, however, there was a considerable body of opinion which held that the adversity was merely temporary and that its causes would sooner or later disappear. It was held unnecessary to do more than press for the removal of trade restrictions and for the abandonment by foreign Governments of subsidies and of other artificial stimulants to their shipping. The aim was to restore free competition and to let the fittest survive. But by this time most shipowners have come to realize that the old conditions under which British shipping gained its great place in the world are not likely to be restored, at any rate within any period for which they can afford to wait. The recent World Conference showed very plainly how little prospect there is of recovering for international trade anything like the old freedom of movement. The tendency is all the other way, for trade to be increasingly regulated and stabilized and canalized. There is even less hope that foreign Governments will be argued into abandoning the policy of artificial support to which so many have committed themselves. The reception given to the British memorandum, setting out with great force the harm they were doing to the whole trade and shipping of the world, left no room for doubt that mere logic, however convincing, will not by itself get rid of this evil or even

diminish it to any appreciable extent. But if the ideal of a fair field and no favour cherished so long by British shipping men has now reluctantly to be abandoned as unattainable, there is as yet no general agreement on the practical measures needed. Perhaps the suggestion which has so far proved superficially the most attractive is that the Government, having failed to persuade foreign countries to remove their subsidies, should be encouraged by the success of their tariff policy to meet subsidies with subsidies just as they met tariffs with tariffs. Another way discussed of protecting British shipping against the ruinous and artificially stimulated competition to which it is exposed is to levy special duties upon all foreign subsidized ships entering British ports. As a variant of this the idea has been put forward that rebates on existing import duties might be granted on all goods carried in British bottoms. Many foreign countries reserve their coasting trade for their own nationals and some of them, America for example, put the most fantastic interpretation on the word coasting. Not unnaturally there are some British shipping men who advocate that the countries of the British Empire—for Great Britain is not the only sufferer—should reply to this by reserving for themselves all trade between the different parts of the Empire. There is much support for schemes for reducing the amount of tonnage to accord with the reduced freight available by means of scrapping or laying-up pools, possibly with financial assistance from the Government. To this it is objected that foreign co-operation in such arrangements would be very hard to obtain on any equitable basis, and that without such co-operation it would only encourage foreign countries to go on increasing their tonnage. As Mr. Runciman pointed out in a speech at the Chamber of Shipping a few months ago, while British mercantile tonnage has been reduced since the War, that of her principal competitors has been greatly increased. In America, France, Italy, and Japan it has been trebled. A one-sided scrapping policy might thus make things worse instead of better. There is a certain measure of agreement on the advisability of preventing, if it can be equitably done, what are practically forced sales of efficient ships at bargain prices to foreign competitors. And there is unanimity that in negotiating trade agreements the Government should bear in mind that shipping services are a staple British export for which they should seek to secure favourable treatment by every means in their power.

HERE, THERE
and
EVERYWHERE

Less Pay For The Pope's Staff

The cuts recently announced in the Vatican salaries and in the household expenditure of the Pope were expected last year, but were avoided by internal economies.

Now, however, the full effect of the depression and of recent political changes in Europe has reached the Papal treasury.

The chief sources of the revenues of the Holy See used to be the rich Catholic population in American and the Church in Spain.

The former are just poor, and many of the Church's possessions in Spain have been sequestered by the Republican Government.

King Alfonso's "Coup d'Etat"

The Madrid newspaper *El Socialista* alleges that ex-King Alfonso is planning a coup d'etat.

The truth is that the army in Spain, on the disaffection in whose ranks King Alfonso is said to be rallying, was definitely infected with republicanism for some years before the revolution of 1931.

The Civil Guards, and not the army, were the mainstay of the monarchy. When General Sanjurjo, their leader, went over to the revolution, King Alfonso wisely accepted defeat.

The two chief pillars of the monarchy in Madrid are the Duke of Alba and Count Romanones. Both have recently advised the King that the chances of a restoration are remote.

Your Daily Smile.

EXPLAINED

A hobby, we are told, is the best antidote for nervousness. Hence fretwork.

MODERN VERSION

Man proposes; woman makes him keep to it.

SUITABLE

Sufferers from colds are urged in the interests of hygiene to use paper handkerchiefs. Atishoo-paper, of course.

What Every Mother Knows

"No home" states a writer, "is complete without children." And no home is complete with children.

STAGGERING STATISTIC

Minor road accidents cost motor-car insurance companies a million pounds a year. This, I suppose, is known as the petty crash account.

DIRECT

A fortune has been left to a lawyer. This saves a lot of time and trouble.

UNCALLED FOR

The girl whose boy-friend forgot he had promised to take her out.

PUZZLE

A man somewhat under the influence of good-fellowship attempted to pass through the revolving door of a restaurant. Each time he entered he made the complete round and, found himself in the street again. After several unsuccessful attempts he sat down on the pavement to work things out.

A moment later a young man walked rapidly up the street, and went in. The door went round and a young woman came out. The innkeeper was puzzled.

"What gets me," he remarked, "is what the devil he did with his clothes."

Facts You Did Not Know.

A reflecting device that can be attached to an automobile windshield has been invented to bring overhead traffic lights into range of a driver's vision.

The highest device of its kind in the world, an aerial tramway that starts from Vienna, carries passengers to a point in the Alps nearly two miles high.

To compensate for the thickness of clippings or pictures pasted in a new scrapbook every alternate page in the book is perforated so that it can be torn out.

An automobile has been built in Czechoslovakia with six wheels, each on its own axle and equipped with its own brake, eight speeds forward and four reverse.

LOCH NESS MONSTER
POSSIBILITIESWHY THE ZOOLOGISTS
ARE SCEPTICAL

FAMOUS SCIENTISTS' OPINION

(By Sir Arthur Keith)

Why are professional zoologists so sceptical of the news from Loch Ness? Let me try to explain their point of view.

I remember how sceptical many of us were when the late Sir Harry Johnston announced the discovery of the okapi in the forests of Equatorial Africa. That was thirty-two years ago, when the only evidence he had of the beast's existence was a skin. Soon, however, a skull and other parts of this strange animal were discovered and we had to admit that Sir Harry was right, and that there still existed in the Semliki Forest of Africa a type of animal we had expected to meet with not as a living reality but only as a fossil. The living okapi is a survival from a prehistoric period.

With the example of the okapi before them why are zoologists so sceptical of the monstrosaurus of Loch Ness? In the okapi there has come down to us a type which is perhaps 2,000,000 years old. In the jungles of Borneo there lives a small, climbing primate known as tarsius. It is the sole survivor of a type which flourished in countless forms some 30,000,000 years ago. Is it possible then that the Loch Ness monster—monstrosaurus—can be a survival from the age of great reptiles—which lies some 150,000,000 years distant from us?

Is it within the limits of possibility that there exists in Loch Ness to-day a live descendant of some plesiosaur, dinosaur, or brontosaurus? I have to admit the possibility. But at the same time I have to state with all possible emphasis that until now there has not been found anywhere in the world a little of evidence in support of such a possibility.

The professional disbelief in the existence of a flesh-and-blood monster in Loch Ness is not based on any theoretical objection. The opposite is the case; so keen is the modern zoologist on his job that he would sell his soul for the dead carcass of a dinosaur or plesiosaur so that he might be the first to have the honour of dissecting it. If he had the slightest hope of the materialisation of monstrosaurus he would be trooping to the shores of Loch Ness in his thousands from all parts of the world.

The scepticism of the professional zoologist is due to the nature of the evidence that is being placed before him. In the case of the okapi, Sir Harry Johnston could show at least a skin, but those who have convinced the Secretary for Scotland and the Chief Constable of Inverness-shire of the existence of monstrosaurus have not even a scale or a hair of his skin or a nail of a toe to produce as evidence—only a few questionable footprints.

Conflicting Descriptions

The accounts of the size and shape of monstrosaurus differ so greatly that there must be twenty kinds of monster in Loch Ness—not one. The single helpful report of fact is that the beast is of large size—as big as a hippopotamus or elephant, or even a whale. To keep such a big body supplied with food our monster must work long hours; we should find numerous traces of his repasts. If he comes ashore, as he is reported to have done, then he ought to leave unmistakable footprints—seeing that he weighs well over a ton.

He must have a father and mother somewhere, living or dead; he should have sisters and brothers and cousins and uncles and aunts. Perhaps he has a wife and is the father of a family. Strange that the thousands of eyes which have searched the turbulent waters of Loch Ness have seen no trace of his relatives. Not a bone or tooth mark has been observed—only a few footprints discovered in the shore shingle by Mr. Wetherell.

An examination of the footprints has convinced Mr. Wetherell that monstrosaurus is an amphibian. Now all living amphibians are of small size, one as large as a hippopotamus causes zoologists to raise their eyebrows and to revise their conception of that division of vertebrate animals to which amphibians are assigned.

If the postmistress of Inverfarigaig has observed the monster accurately—and women are usually reliable witnesses—then it cannot be an amphibian, as Mr. Wetherell has inferred from the footprints. For the postmistress saw that the monster was "hairy generally" and had a "thick hairy mane." This evidence was confirmed by another witness, who gave the additional information that it was "a most ugly beast."

Now zoologists have found that there is a high degree of orderliness in the construction of living things. They have always found that if an animal has a hairy skin, then it has breasts to provide its young with milk, and that its brain, its heart, its lungs, its skull, and its teeth are constructed according to a well-known pattern.

The teeth of monstrosaurus are said to be conical and pointed. Such teeth are characteristic of reptiles, but are also to be seen in the jaws of certain whales. Laymen must have patience with professional zoologists who hesitate to credit the existence of a "most ugly beast" which combines characteristics of amphibian, reptile, and mammal. Such a beast would be a kind of monster of which zoologists have had no experience hitherto.

Too Many Eye-Witnesses. All the laymen who have visited Loch Ness to collect evidence at first hand lay great stress on the number of witnesses that can be produced. Scores of men and women claim to have seen the monster in the waters of Loch Ness or basking on its shores. Strange to say, it is just the great number of witnesses and the discrepancy of their testimony that have convinced professional zoologists that the Loch Ness monster is not a thing of flesh and blood.

For, seeing that monstrosaurus has been seen by so many people, at so many times and in so many places, then concrete and unmistakable evidence of its existence should have been at our disposal long before now. A live hippopotamus or a dolphin could not hide itself in Loch Ness from prying human eyes for a week, to say nothing of four months.

The only kind of being whose existence is testified to by scores of witnesses, and which never reaches the dissecting table, belongs not to the material world but to the world of spirits. Or, indeed, such creations may exist only in the human imagination. So many people assured me they had seen railway trains laden with Russian soldiers pass through England in the first year of the war that I never doubted their statements; yet not a single soldier from Russia was actually transported through England.

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ESCAPED CONVICT
TRICKED BY BOYMarooned On Island
By Clever Ruse.

DRAMA ON ZAGREB RIVER

Zagreb.

The prompt action of a 10-year-old boy has resulted in the recapture of an escaped convict, Rada Selakovitch, a brigand notorious for his strength and brutality.

Rada had escaped from a Zagreb prison but was held up by a swollen river. He persuaded the boy to row him across; but half way over, the boy's suspicions were aroused by leg-irons showing through a tear in the bandit's trousers and by a heavy revolver sticking out of his hip pocket.

Pretending that something was wrong with his boat, the boy landed the bandit on an island in mid-stream while he went back to fetch a larger boat.

He returned with a gendarme. Rada immediately jumped into the water and attempted to swim to safety, but the weight of his iron dragged him down. He was almost drowned before the gendarme could rescue him.—Reuter.

BRITISH WOMEN SEEN THROUGH BURMESE EYES

"Credit To Their
Nation."

Woman Doctor Defends
Use Of Lip-Stick

London.

There is one visitor to England who is not enjoying the cold weather—Dr. Ma Saw-sa, the only woman member of the Burmese delegation which has come to London to confer with the Joint Select Committee on Indian Constitutional Reform.

Dr. Ma Saw-sa dark magnetic eyes twinkled gaily when she was asked her what she thought of Western women.

"I admire them enormously," she said. "They are so clever and self-reliant. Now that they have got their chance to take a part in the affairs of the country, they are a credit to their nation."

"In Burma women are the equal of men in everything. Burma is the only country in the East where men and women mix together everywhere as equals. Education for women in Burma is of a very high standard."

Dr. Ma Saw-sa looked down at her long, loose draperies and smiled.

"The main difference between Western and Burmese women is their fashions," she said. "Fashions change every five minutes in Europe, but in Burma—well, look at this dress I am wearing. It is an exact copy of the dress that I came to England in 20 years ago—that is what fashion means in Burma. It seldom changes."

"We never wear hats—perhaps that accounts for it. Hats are the most fickle things in an English-woman's wardrobe. If she has not a new hat at frequent intervals she is unhappy. In Burma a parasol is all we need."

"Burmese women will never wear Europe's fashions. They have a sense of humour and realise that Japanese, Chinese, and other Eastern women who wear European clothes look ridiculous. Western hats and short skirts would not suit a Burmese woman as her traditional dress does."

"The most amazing thing to me is how business and professional women in Europe manage to spend so much time on dress. Sometimes I think that if they spent less time on dress they would have more time to think of serious matters."

"But why shouldn't they use lipstick and pluck their eyebrows? Our women do not—it is the Western custom and Englishwomen are no worse for it. They are still fine women."

HINKLER'S ESTATE VALUED

£12,181 In War Bonds
and Bank Deposits

FAMOUS AIRMAN LEAVES
NO WILL

Brisbane, Queensland.

Squadron-leader Bert Hinkler's estate has been valued at £12,181, made up almost entirely of bank deposits and War Bonds in Queensland. As there is no will the estate will be distributed according to English intestacy law. His widow, Mrs. Katherine Hinkler, will receive £1,000, his personal chattels, and a life interest in the whole of the residuary estate. On her death the residuary estate will pass to Hinkler's widowed mother, Mrs. Frances Atkins Hinkler, of Bundaberg.

An application has been lodged in the Supreme Court of Queensland for the resale of letters of administration granted by the Principal Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in England on June 23, 1933, to Mrs. Katherine Hinkler of the portion of the estate in England £306.

The personal estate in Queensland is made up as follows:—Current account in bank £225; fixed deposit £5,155; interest on fixed deposit £70; War Bonds, £5,082; interest on War Bonds, £140.—Reuter.

REDUCING WINTER FLYING PERIL

Silk Flag Inspires
New Invention.

WILL PREVENT "ICE HAZARD"

New York.

How a silk flag, whipping in the breeze after a sleet storm, inspired an invention that may enable mail and passenger planes to keep on flying next winter along the New York—Chicago—San Francisco airway in weather that ordinarily would ground them was disclosed by W. A. Patterson, president of the various operating companies comprising United Air Lines.

The invention is a device to rid airplane wings of ice forming on them in flight—the dread "ice hazard" encountered at temperatures near the freezing point in bad weather flying.

The new aeronautical "ice-breaker" consists of an oiled silk curtain which sheaths the leading edge of the wing, sliding back and forth around it on rollers countersunk in the all-metal wing so that the latter still preserves its smooth contours. The rollers are actuated by an eccentric drive from the aeroplane motor and are set in motion by the pilot.—Reuter.

ROMANS HAD "METAL FURNITURE"

Ancient Table Found In
Yugo-Slavia.

Belgrade.

Metal furniture may be "modern"—but the Romans also had the same idea.

A curious piece of work in lead and marble, which was used as a table, has been discovered among a number of Roman remains at Chuntitche, near Sisak.

The finds were first made by a peasant digging a deep drain. He came across a large amount of lead piping, which he sold in Zagreb.

Archaeologists working on the site have since found the remains of an aqueduct which supplied the Roman town of Siscia with drinking water.—Reuter.

DEMANDED £175,000 FROM FILM STARS

Ex-Jockey Asks Police
Aid to Collect.

Los Angeles.

Sought for more than a month as the writer of letters to film celebrities, in which he demanded a sum totalling \$875,000 (£175,000) a man walked into the district Attorney's office here and asked for assistance in collecting the funds.

The Chief Investigator said that the man, who was identified as Winfred Jerrell, 31, a former jockey, had been wanted in connection with letters written to Charlie Chaplin, Joan Blondell, Nancy Carroll, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and others.

After a hearing, the man was placed in a State hospital.—Reuter.

GAS CHAMBER FOR MURDERERS IN COLORADO

Replaces Strangling
Process.

GRUESOME EXECUTION
ABOLISHED

Canon City, Colorado.

For 43 years condemned murderers in Colorado have been executed at the State Penitentiary in a machine known as one of the crudest in the country.

The forty-fifth, and last man to die by the machine, has been hanged. Henceforth all condemned prisoners will be put to death in a lethal gas chamber, as the result of a law enacted by the last session of the State Legislature, abolishing hanging.

The gruesome procedure of the old system was as follows: The death house at the prison was a small, bare chamber. A black, circular spot was painted on the floor.

On this spot the condemned man stood, while a black hood was slipped over his head.

The noose was then fastened over the hood. The rope extended to the ceiling, and was conveyed by pulleys to a 500 pound weight which worked in a slot rigged up against one wall.

At a nod from the Warden the executioner pressed a trigger, the weight dropped in the slot and the rope jerked the prisoner into the air.

The theory was that the impact of the heavy knot against the side of the prisoner's head would fracture his neck. Sometimes it did not, and instead of dying instantly, the man strangled to death.—Reuter.

BIG DEER BECOMES BILLIARDS FAN

Attracted By Saloon
Near Seattle

REFUSES TO STAY IN WOODS

Seattle.

A deer from the Washington State Game Preserves has been making a nuisance of himself by hanging around a public billiards room entrance despite the fact that he has twice been forcibly removed.

The scene of the trouble is the town of Langley, on Whidbey Island near here.

Placed on the island with seven other deer for breeding purposes, the animal, a huge buck, first started to bother motorists on the main highway.

Shooed back into the woods by members of the Game Department, the deer showed up three days later at Langley and took up his position on the steps of a billiard room.

Summoned again, Game Department representatives arrived with a lorry, lifted the animal into it, drove him to the woods many miles away and released him.

But a few miles apparently meant nothing to the deer. He was back on the billiard room steps again within a week.—Reuter.

To-day's Short Story.

YOU GOT TO LIVE

By Susan
Ertz

M.R. KEPPLER was a much-travelled man; he knew Central Europe as few people know it, for ever since his boyhood he had spent his holidays there, and as soon as he saw those two totally un-English figures upon the Brighton Station platform, his mind at once conjured up a more suitable background for them.

He saw green pastures, distant mountains, small white farms, fields of corn and rye. In imagination he tied a coloured handkerchief over the woman's head and left her shoeless, and stockings, while he mentally dressed the boy in a short coat of some checked material, and short green trousers. The woman he pictured raking hay under a hot sun, the boy standing beside a grazing cow, patient and watchful.

And though the two were dressed in the cheap and shoddy stuffs worn by the poor in London streets, Mr. Keppler's trained eye assured him that if he were to go up to them and say "Gruss Gott!" he would get a startled "Gruss Gott!" in return. But the train came in then; the woman and the boy got into a third class compartment and Mr. Keppler into a first. And as he sat there, about to unfold his paper, it struck him that as far as the boy was concerned the interest had been mutual. From under a wide, full forehead those bright blue eyes had regarded him intently and shrewdly.

"Something unusual about that lad," he thought. And when, an hour later, he saw them hurrying ahead of him out of Victoria Station, the boy dragged down by the heavy suitcase he carried, he felt sure that whatever there was to be known about them would have interested him, and that he would never see them again.

About fifteen minutes later he was sitting at his desk in the Keppler Gallery in Brook-street.

"Mrs. Ballantyne has rung up again about the Renoir," Mr. Keppler said. Swann, his secretary, told him. "She wants to know if you've said your last word on the subject of price. She says she's going to fly to Paris to see another one at Hoffenstein's. It's a later one, she says, and more typical. The blues are bluer or the browns browner."

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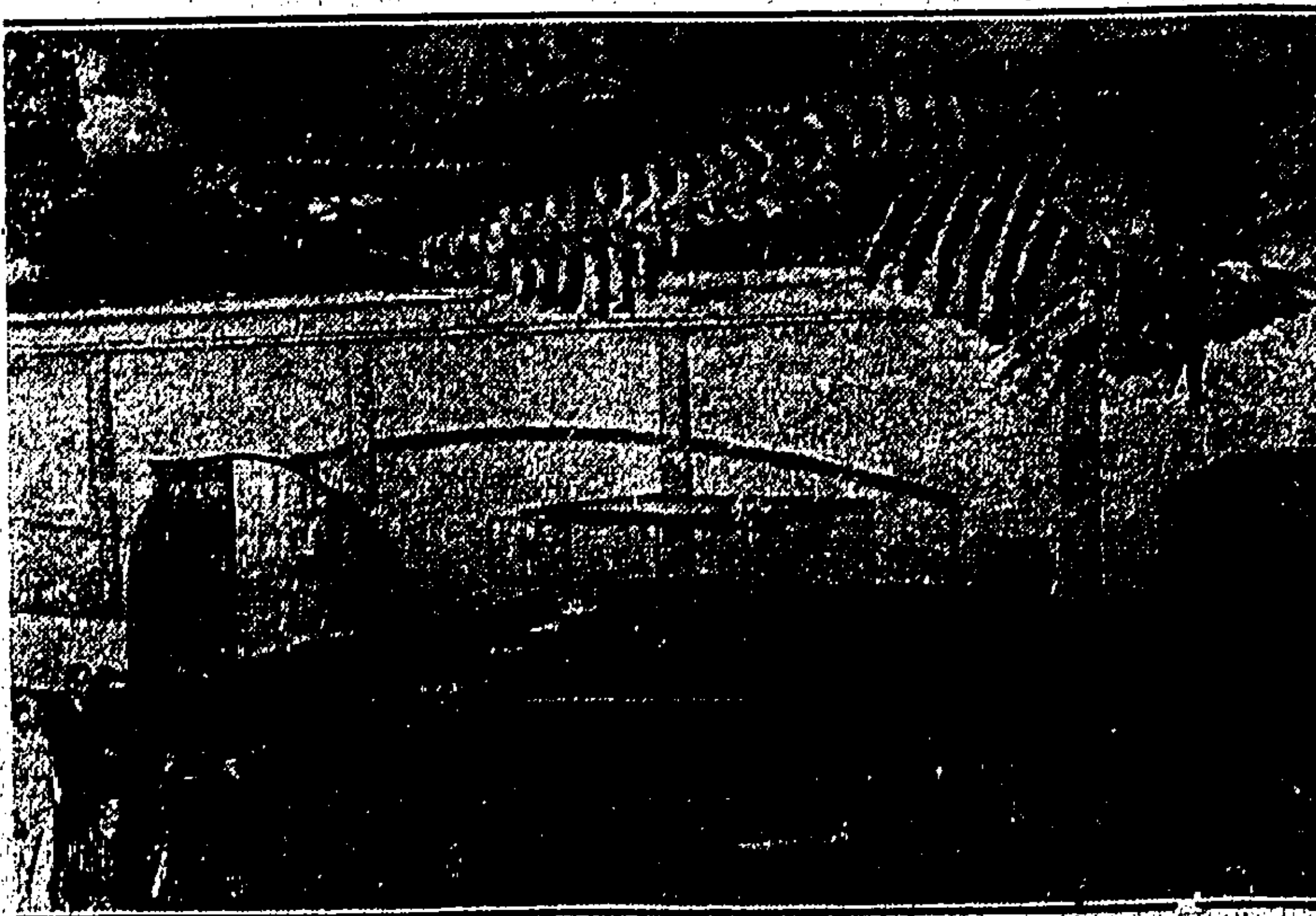
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YOU GOT TO LIVE

(Continued From Page 10).

"My Fritz is born in Marlboro, while I am a soldier."

"Marlboro. Yes, yes, I know. It's also called Marlburg, and it's now in Jugoslavia."

"Sure, that's right. Mr. I am born in Graz."

"A lovely old town. I know it well. And your wife?"

"My wife, Fritz, she is a wonderful woman. She is born in Burgund."

"Ah, yes," said Mr. Keppeler. "I was thinking, 'that wasn't at all a bad guess of mine this morning.'"

"Wait a bit, Fritz," he said almost gently, glancing at his watch. "It's nearly lunch time. I'll look into the gallery for a moment to see how they're getting on, and then we'll go and have a bite together at my club."

It was February when Liebl called on Mr. Keppeler. It was the tenth of June when the Keppeler Gallery opened its doors for a private view of the work of the wonderful fifteen-year-old boy painter, Fritz Liebl.

Swann, who had thrown himself heart and soul into the business, had seen that the right sort of publicity was not lacking, and photographs of the lad had appeared in the papers, showing him in a youth white shirt, open at the neck, or in Austrian peasant dress, or—this was Swann's idea—

in a white suit: a boy with blond features, an unusually tall, wide forehead, an expression of simple candour and intelligence, and fair hair worn German fashion.

Never from the time Mr. Keppeler and Mr. Thorogood first showed they were interested in him still the day of the private view, did the boy betray the smallest excitement or surprise.

He seemed to take the whole proceeding for granted, and neither doubted nor questioned. Mr. Keppeler and Swann discussed him a good deal, and Swann said he was the most completely egocentric being he had ever come across.

"Did you ever hear of a genius who wasn't?" asked Mr. Keppeler. "I never did."

But with his parents Fritz was a child. He adored them, and was unashamedly demonstrative. The little family interested Mr. Keppeler very much. Mrs. Liebl was too busy and too indispensable to possess an emotional life of her own, being entirely occupied with those of her husband and son, whose willing, subservient, and adored handmaid she was.

And though she and Liebl must have known that they were the parents of an unusually gifted boy, to him as a prodigy or suggested that they never for one moment deferred their looked for more from him than hard work and good behaviour.

Mr. Keppeler himself could never guess what the boy was thinking about and was a little intimidated by the mysterious maturity and precocity that he knew lay behind that boyish countenance.

A personage of note who had already acquainted himself with Fritz's work opened the exhibition with short speech. He could only recall, he said, one parallel case, which was that of Turner, who was an accomplished draughtsman at fourteen and a member of the Academy before he was twenty. And he finished by saying that although he knew the word should be used with caution, he had no hesitation in expressing his opinion that they were here in the presence of genius.

The only member of the Liebl family actually present when this speech was made was the boy's father. His face was flushed with excitement, and he stood wiping his forehead nervously in a corner of the crowded gallery. Fritz and his mother stayed quietly in Mr. Keppeler's private room. Mrs. Liebl spoke almost no English, and Fritz stubbornly refused to venture out into the crowd or to leave his mother's side.

Every now and again Mr. Keppeler or Mr. Thorogood brought in some patron of importance and introduced them to the boy and his mother, and Fritz then stood up and replied with engaging simplicity to the questions put to him.

"Sure, I mean to be great artist. I like only to work all the time. Please? When I first begin to work? When I am six years old. No, I don't go to school much. My papa teach me. Maybe I go to school again when I am older. Sure, I like much London. I like the streets and the people. I see all the time many things that I like."

When Mr. Keppeler or some visitor spoke to him in German he replied at greater length and expressed himself a little more freely, but he was at no time really communicative. Thanks to his money, handed to them by Mr. Keppeler, all three were really dressed in new clothes and looked like a good bourgeois family in Sunday best.

What the public saw were Fritz's three oil paintings and a dozen large

pen sketches of London street life. There was not one that failed to show striking and accurate character portrayal and the greatest skill and highest artistic insight were shown in the effectiveness of the grouping and design.

There was, in fact, nothing childish about them except a certain naïveté and freshness of outlook displayed in the choice of subjects. A youthful delight and zest seemed to lie behind a painting of rough brown figures grouped about a street drill, the fascination felt by a boy in watching men working with a machine; surely, that was a child's eye that had been under wet umbrellas crowding about a fruit stall in the rain; or by the surge of pushing bodies towards the steps of an omnibus; or by the burly figures unloading vegetables in Covent Garden Market.

Whenever Liebl, drifting about the gallery and listening to scraps of talk, came face to face with Swann or Thorogood neither lost an opportunity of drawing him aside to tell him how things were going.

"They're crazy about them," Swann told him. "It wouldn't surprise me if we sold every one. The boy's made. Reinacker's here—he's the most important critic in London. He's been telling me that Fritz was the first child prodigy he didn't want to spunk and put to bed. He says he's a marvel!"

Once the personage of note touched Liebl's arm and said: "You're the boy's father, I understand. Really, I congratulate you. The lad shown an astonishing talent. I hope all this won't be bad for him."

"My Fritz won't get spooked. I tell him many times what Masek said: that every time he paints a picture it is like he throw himself into the water to learn to swim. The artist must be humbled; he must learn till he dies, and my Fritz is true artist."

"I see he is fortunate in his father," said the great man with a smile, and Liebl bowed.

When the crowd finally went at six, and the doors of the gallery were closed to further visitors, Liebl wiped his hot face and went at last to join the others. He had kept away from them all day, as though he couldn't bear them to witness his agitation, and had even lunched alone, on a roll and a slice of sausage.

At the door of Mr. Keppeler's private room he paused to steady himself, and when he opened it and went in he wore a spurious air of calm. He found them all there—Fritz and his mother, Mr. Keppeler, Mr. Thorogood, and Mr. Swann, the latter having opened a bottle of old sherry, the invariable custom of the Keppeler Gallery at the end of a private view.

Mrs. Liebl had already been given a glass, and Fritz was accepting one from the solicitous hand of Mr. Thorogood, whose face wore what was seldom seen upon it, a satisfied smile.

"Ah, Liebl," Mr. Keppeler said, waving a bit of paper in welcome, "I was just coming to look for you. Have you heard the good news? Well, listen to this. Eighteen of the paintings are already sold; ten at forty, seven at thirty, and one at fifty pounds. Six are reserved. The rest will probably go before the week's out. Of the drawings we've sold eight, at ten pounds apiece. That's seven hundred and forty pounds, or about twenty-five thousand, five hundred have it in dollars, three thousand seven hundred. It's the best day's work we've done since the Van Brock show."

"I must say, I never thought it would go so well. A great deal of it's due to you, Swann, and the excellent publicity you got for it. Fill up Mr. Liebl's glass. We're all going to drink to the health and success of the artist. Fritz, my dear boy, to you very go! health, and to a long, happy, and successful career."

Fritz got up from his chair and made a stiff little bow. His bright blue eyes went from face to face, and then rested upon Mr. Keppeler's.

"I so much thank you," he said, "and please, if I have a success, I have to thank my papa for that, and my very kind, good friends, Mr. Keppeler, Mr. Thorogood, and Mr. Swann. I am very happy to-day. Please, everyone is so kind. That is all."

He took up his mother's hand, kissed it, and said Mrs. Keppeler, with his dry little voice, "If your parents are tired of you, come to me. That's a firm offer. And now I just want to test your memory. Do you remember seeing me somewhere, before that day you came here with your father?"

"Sure!" said Mrs. Keppeler, said the boy promptly. "At the station, when I leave Marlboro. You look tired, Mrs. Keppeler. Well, you are very tired, Fritz, and you are very good boy, Fritz, and we don't cheat."

"Well, thank you very much," he said, "and we don't cheat."

"To proclaim your son a genius, but anyone who could remember such a commonplace visage as my own after seeing it once in a crowd really deserves the name."

"When this was translated for Mrs. Liebl she protested in German that he had a very nice, kind face, and that there weren't too many such faces in the world, and after an exchange of compliments and some further conversation Mr. Keppeler looked at his watch.

"Now, my friends, I have a train to catch, but first I can, and will, take you home. Swann, will you see about a taxi?" And when it came he hustled them all into it, and on the way to Pimlico, where they lived, he discussed with them plans for a celebration that evening, and recommended a restaurant where they could get excellent goulash at a price that was not too extravagant.

"It won't be as good mama makes," said Liebl, "but to-night it is a feast, and she must do no work."

When they reached the shabby house with crumbling balconies and peeling paint they bade Mr. Keppeler good-bye with warm and genuine gratitude, and after watching him out of sight began the ascent of the stairs.

When they reached the top, Liebl swung open the door of the studio, and they all filed silently in. He tossed aside his hat and threw himself down upon the rickety sofa so heavily that it creaked and creaked and threatened to give under him. Fritz hung up his hat in its proper place, and, going to the window, stood watching the straggles of some pigeons on the ledge below.

Mrs. Liebl, with a swift look at her father and son, took off her own hat and put it carefully away in a box. She then put on a large apron and began to tidy the room—no easy task, for it was crammed with painting materials, canvases, boxes, cooking utensils, and the hundred and one things necessary for the feeding and accommodation of three persons.

She and Liebl slept in a tiny alcove opening off the studio, while Fritz slept in the studio itself, and it was there that they washed, cooked, worked and ate. Every now and then as she bustled about the room she glanced uneasily at her husband and at the boy, and finally broke into speech, unable to endure the silence any longer.

"So careless you both are," she said. "Nothing you put away, ever. Look, Johann, your new hat lying on the floor, in the dust. Fritz, at least, knows better than that. You will not buy a new hat every day, even though I have money now to spend. There are other things to spend it on."

There was not a sound from the other two. Fritz still stared out of the window, and Liebl was motionless on the couch. Mrs. Liebl went on.

"I know how it will be. To-morrow you will say, 'Now that Fritz has made everything neat I can no longer find what I want,' but I do not like to that, for I have heard it for more than sixteen years now."

Still, there was silence, except for her footsteps and her scolding, and the noise she made at her work. But she saw that Fritz had turned and was looking uncertainly at his father. Something, then, would happen soon. She held her tongue, and presently she took up a basket, and, emptying its contents—socks and stockings and darning materials—into her apron, she drew a chair close to the light and sat down.

At last Fritz left the window and went with slow steps to the couch where his father lay.

"Papa," he said, and waited. Mrs. Liebl held her breath.

"Papa," he said again, and this time Liebl made a little movement, and a small unintelligible sound. It was enough for Fritz, who ran forward and flung himself down by the couch, his head on his father's arm.

"I'm so sorry, papa. I'm so sorry," he sobbed. "I know how bad it was for you. All day I was so unhappy I could hardly bear it. All day my heart ached and my head ached, because I knew what it was for you. And when all those people came and said I was a genius and would be a great painter I wanted to shout at them. 'It's lies, all lies, all lies!'"

Liebl sat up with a jerk and pulled the boy into his arms.

"Lies?" he cried. "Lies? Well, whose lies were they? Mine or yours? Who has the right to be ashamed? Me or you?"

And who says my boy isn't a genius? Was that a lie? And why shouldn't I suffer? Didn't Rembrandt suffer? And plenty of others! And haven't we got to eat? Isn't it better than starving? You've got to live, Fritz. And he was you to go to Munich and have your famous money? People are stupid, stupid. Nowadays the artist has no patrons. Only the public, and what does the public know? If the public is stupid and slow to see, and likes only to be shocked or startled, can we help that? And so your father, because your papa is a big papa, he's brimmed some tears from his eyes. Well, now I am very tired, Fritz, and you are very good boy, Fritz, and we don't cheat."

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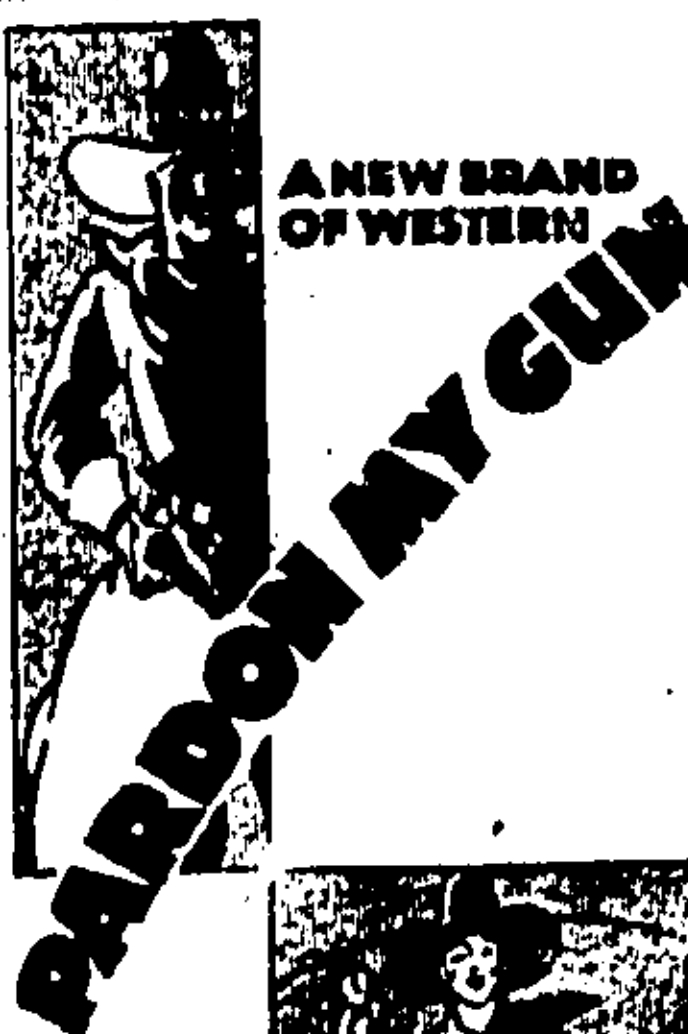
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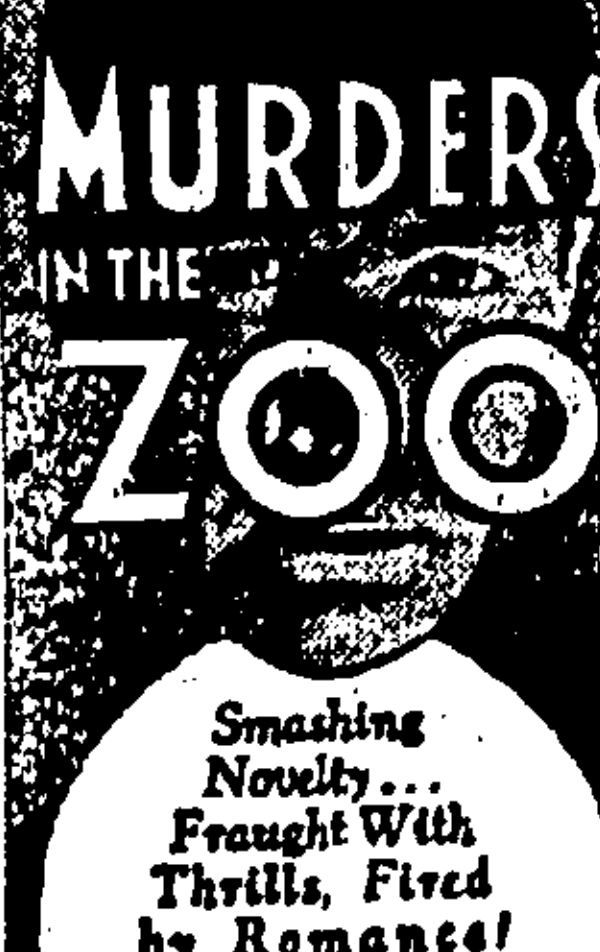


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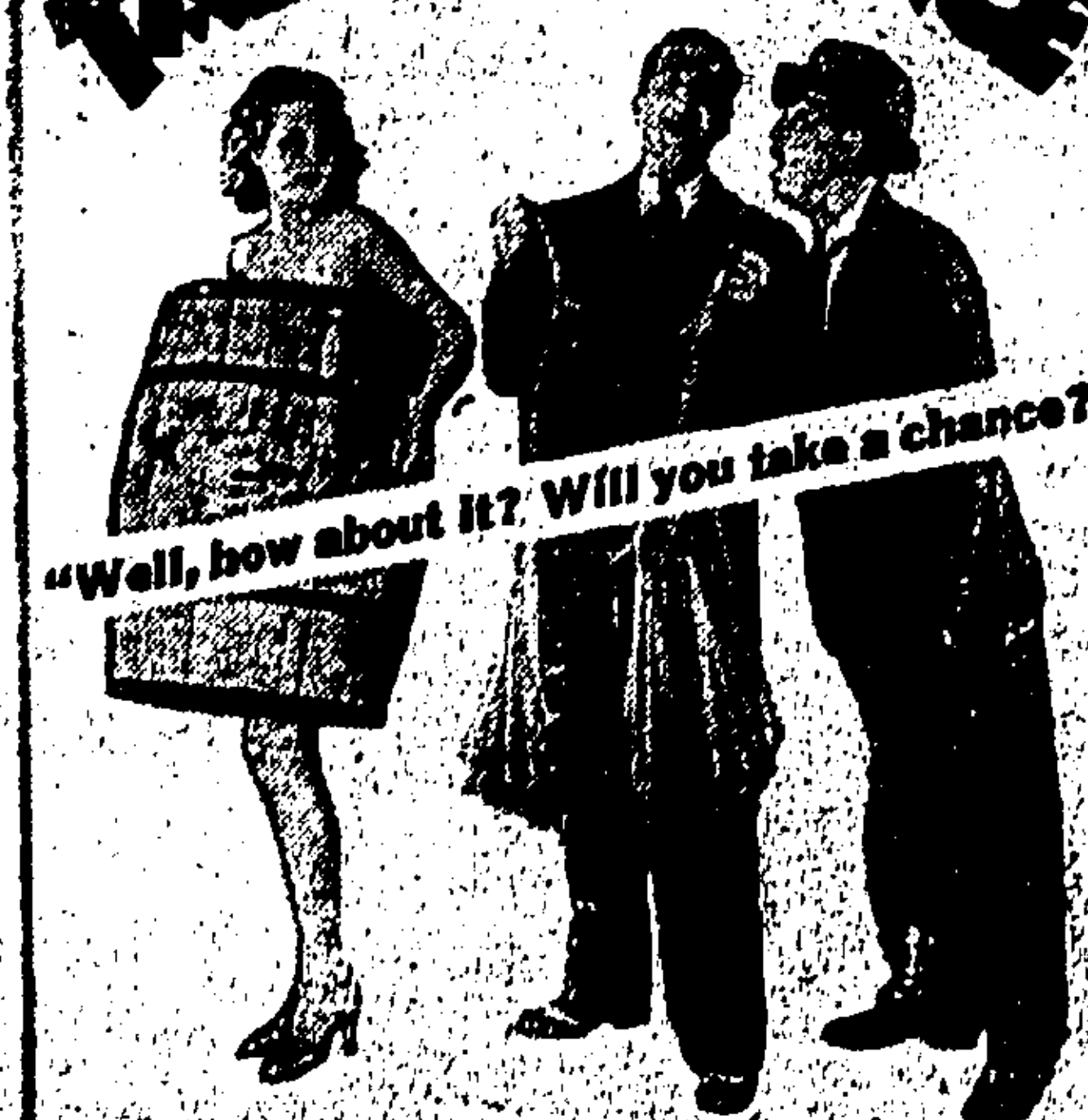
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